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ENTIRE TURKISH ARMY CORPS CAPTURED BY RUSSIAN FORCES; OTHERS COMPLETELY ROUTED

Columns Which Last Week Advanced Into Russian Territory and Took Strong Town, Have Been Badly Defeated—Troops of One Column Not Killed or Captured in Disorderly Retreat—Another Surrounded.

PETROGRAD ALSO REPORTS ANOTHER GREAT VICTORY OVER AUSTRIANS IN USZOK PASS

Russian Cavalry Reported to be Attacking Rear of Retreating Austrian Army—Desperate Attacks of Germans in Poland Are Held in Check by Troops of Russia—Little Action on Western Battle Line.

London, January 5. — Two of the three Turkish columns which last week invaded tthe Russian Caucasus have met with disaster and the troops not killed or captured are in disorderly retreat. The column which took Ardahan two days ago has been driven out of that town, according to Petrograd official dispatches, and is almost surrounded by the Russians, who hold the main roads. Another column which crossed the frontier near Sari Kamysh, on the road to Kars, has suffered even worse defeat, one of the two army corps which composed it being captured in its entirety.

The Russians also report another victory over the Austrians in the Uszok pass of the Carpathians. Emperor Francis Joseph's army in this region is declared to be in full retreat in a mountain pass deep in snow, with Russian cavalry attacking its flank and rear.

By forcing this pass, the Russians gain control of some of the most valuable oil fields in Austria, and thus shut off another source of fuel supplies, which the Austro-German armies are said to so much need.

While forcing back the Turks and Austrians, the Russian troops are holding the line of the Mazurian lakes in East Prussia; are fighting strenuously to withstand the German offensive in North Poland; are advancing towards Cracow, and have crossed Bukowina, which is now virtually in their possession.

In North Poland, where Russia is confronted with the most serious task, the weather is proving a useful ally. The Germans, according to their accounts, are making only slow progress with their offensive operations.

Military men look for bigger events between the Lower Vistual and the East Prussian frontier. The Russians hold the greater part of the intervening territory, and unless engaged when the river freezes, would fall on the German flank south of the river. It is believed here, therefore, that the Germans plan a movement from Thorn and East Prussia to prevent this action. The fighting would take place in the open.

Except at the two extreme wings on the Belgium coast and Upper Alsace, where the Allies have gained some ground, fighting on the western front has been done by sappers, miners and artillery. Only at isolated points has the infantry been given an opportunity. A few hundred yards has been gained by the Allies among the dunes of Flanders.

Great interest attaches to French operations in Upper Alsace. The capture of Steinbach was accomplished after almost superhuman efforts. Now the French are attempting to force their way through to Cernay (Sennheim), the possession of which would open the door to Muelhausen.

One of the lessons the war has taught Russia is that the port of Archangel, its only large seaport on the north coast, and the most northerly point in the railway system of Europe, can be kept open most of the winter with the aid of ice breakers. Archangel generally is frozen over for months, but it has been kept open thus far.

The House of Lords will meet tomorrow, and Earl Kitchener, secretary for war, is expected to make a statement on the progress of the war, and British preparations.

DECISIVE VICTORY REPORTED.

Turkish Forces in Russia Meet Disaster and Heavy Loss.

Petrograd, Jan. 5. — It is officially announced that the Russian troops have gained a decisive victory at Sarikamysh. The entire Ninth army corps of the Turks was captured.

The following report received from the Russian headquarters in the Caucasus was made public tonight:

"Last night our troops won a complete victory over the Turks at Sarikamysh. We have beaten two Turkish army corps, and made the entire Ninth Turkish army corps, including its commander and three division commanders, prisoners. Small bodies of Turkish troops which succeeded in escaping, were rigorously pursued and destroyed.

"We continue pursuit of the other parts of the Turkish forces, which are in full retreat."

TURKS DISPLAY COURAGE.

Surrounded by Russians They Fight Hard and Desperately is Report.

London, Jan. 5.—A Reuter's dispatch from Petrograd says accounts of the Turkish defeat at Sari Kamysh say the Turks displayed great bravery and made frequent desperate bayonet sorties. When they were compelled to vacate they made valiant, but futile efforts to cover their retreat by a rear guard action, even the wounded continuing firing from the ground when they were struck down.

According to a telegram from Tiflis the Turks pressed their attack in the Sari Kamysh district to enable their troops in the Ardahan region to retire without heavy losses. Their operations were conducted under tremendous difficulties. They lacked proper equipment and had no transport trains. Most of the war trophies captured by the Russians were of German make.

The Turkish force at Ardahan also is threatened with disaster. The enemy in his disorderly flight has been almost surrounded by the Russians who hold the main roads. The Turks are striving frantically to find an outlet, but have to face passes deep in snow. The Russians have attacked Ardahan on two sides, the artillery playing a prominent part.

CARDINAL MERCIER ARRESTED.

Taken by German Authorities in Own Arch-Episcopal Palace.

Amsterdam, via London, Jan. 5.—A Tijd dispatch from Rosendaal says that Cardinal Mercier, primate of Belgium

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AMERICAN PLAN IS FINE SAYS ENGLAND

WASHINGTON, D. C. LETTER A CORRES.

But Refuses to Waive Right of Search, Regardless.

MAKE TRANSFERS AT SEA

Foreign Office Thinks Waiving of Searching Right Would Invite Smugglers to Carry Contraband to Sea.

London, Jan. 5.—Although the foreign office regards with high favor the American government's plan of certifying cargoes destined for Europe, it was said today that England cannot accept such certification as an absolute guarantee of the nature of the cargo in case any cause for suspicion arises after a vessel leaves America. In other words, the right of search cannot be waived because of the possibility of shifting cargoes at sea.

The waiving of the right of search, in the opinion of prominent British officials, would be an invitation for smugglers to carry contraband to sea in small boats and re-tranfer it to a ship of certified cargo. The position is precisely the same as that taken by the foreign office concerning certification of manifests by British consuls at American ports.

Neutrals Are Aiding.

The government, constantly is in communication with representatives of Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Holland, and it is reported these nations are taking steps to revise their lists of prohibited exports to correspond with the British contraband list. That would make possible a resumption of shipping to neutral European countries from America without delays or danger of seizure.

Owing to failure of the London newspapers to discuss the preliminary negotiations between Ambassador Page and Foreign Secretary Grey extending over several weeks before the American note was presented the English public was not well advised concerning the differences which grew up. Even now the opinion is quite general notwithstanding publication of the American note that President Wilson denied England's right of search. Consequently much of the shock occasioned by the presentation of the American note was due to misapprehension and now is disappearing on account of the calm and friendly attitude of the government.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Being Sent All Over Country by Federal Government at Washington.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The notice to shippers, drawn by the State, Treasury and Commerce Departments, was being sent throughout the country today.

"The government," says the notice, "looks with confidence for co-operation from the American business public to prevent such action on the part of shippers as adds unnecessarily to the difficulties of business at this time. Whenever shippers desire such aid in carrying on their foreign business the Treasury Department will furnish, upon application to the customs collector at any port, an officer, to supervise the loading of cargo and to certify to the completeness and accuracy of the manifest.

"As a further precaution, it is suggested that the shippers accompany ship's manifest with an affidavit stating that the articles shipped are correctly shown by the manifest and that the packages contain nothing except that which is shown there."

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN TO PLEAD FOR SUFFRAGE

Delegation to See President Wilson Today.

More Than One Hundred Women Will Ride to White House in Automobile Parade and Beg Wilson to Reconsider.

Washington, Jan. 5.—President Wilson tomorrow will receive a delegation of nearly 100 Democratic women, who will ask him to support a constitutional amendment fr nation-wdie woman suffrage. The amendment is to be voted on in the House January 12th.

The delegation will ride to the White House in a long parade of automobiles, decorated with suffrage colors. They will be seen by the President in the East room, where he told another delegation several months ago that he believed the suffrage question should be determined by the states. At that time Mr. Wilson ended the interview because he believed the speakers for the delegation were trying to heckle him.

Mrs. George A. Armes, president of the District of Columbia Wilson and Marshall League, will head the delegation which will include committees from Maryland, Delaware, New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

WOOTEN SPEAKER BY ACCLAMATION

Nominated by House Democrats in Caucus Last Night.

GARDNER NOT OPPOSED

His Nomination Seconded by Hobgood, Bowie, Allred and Seawell Agree to Withdraw in Favor of Wooten—Nominations.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—E. R. Wooten, of Lenoir county, was tonight nominated by acclamation by the Democratic caucus of the House of Representatives for speaker. This came about through a conference early in the evening between the three gentlemen opposing him—T. C. Bowie, of Ashe; A. A. F. Seawell, of Lee, and L. H. Allred, of Johnston, in which the situation was convassed and an agreement reached for all three to withdraw in favor of Wooten.

Col. J. H. Currie, of Cumberland, was chairman of the caucus, and named the three candidates who had withdrawn in Wooten's favor as the committee to notify him and escort him into the hall. Wooten was enthusiastically greeted and briefly expressed his appreciation of the honor and promised a more extended speech tomorrow when duly elected speaker by the House.

Over in the Senate chamber, in the caucus of the Democratic senators, the acclamation method of election also prevailed, O. Max Gardner, of Cleveland, being the unanimous choice for president pro-tem, F. P. Hobgood, Jr., of Guilford, had been understood to be a candidate for the office, but when Gardner had been placed before the caucus by R. D. Johnson, of Duplin, Mr. Hobgood arose and seconded the nomination, asking that it be by acclamation. He stated that he had aspired to the position, but that on arriving here he had decided to withdraw in favor of Mr. Gardner. He was roundly cheered.

Senator Harry Stubbs, of Martin county, was made chairman of the Senate caucus. In nominating Gardner for president pro-tem, Senator Johnson paid tribute to him as a member of the Senate of 1911 and the organizer of the Young Men's Democratic clubs throughout the State in 1908. He declared him a Democrat and a man of splendid type, fitted in every way for the office and well versed in parliamentary usages. Then followed the graceful seconding speech by Senator Hobgood and also a motion by Senator McRae, of Mecklenburg, that the election

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UNION MEN MUST PAY DAMAGES FOR BOYCOTT

After Eleven Years of Litigation, Decision Rendered.

Two Hundred Union Men Who Organized Against Connecticut Company Must Pay—Over Two Hundred Thousand.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Ending eleven years of litigation, the Supreme Court today held that some 200 Connecticut labor union members must pay $252,130.09 damages under the Sherman law for a nation-wide boycott of D. E. Loewe & Co., Danbury, Conn., manufacturers, who refused to unionize their shops. Bank accounts and homes of many of the men already are under attachment to pay the judgment and the next step probably will be foreclosure.

Leading lawyers of Congress disagreed today on whether this decision meant union workmen would be liable in future for damages on account of boycotts. Some held that the Clayton anti-trust law passed last year after this suit had been tried, would make another such prosecution impossible.

It was in the Danbury hatters case of the Supreme court decided in 1908 that labor unions were under the terms of the anti-trust law. The judgment, the largest ever before the court under the Sherman law, as well as the vigorous defense of the Union men, attracted widespread attention.

Gov. Blease Pardons Negro Dead 2 Years

WOMAN INDICTED AND SENTENCED FOR MURDER OF HUSBAND MADE FREE

Spartanburg, S. C., Jan. 5.—When the county authorities received official notice today from the governor's office that a full pardon had been granted by Governor Blease to Anna Drummond, a negress convicted of the murder of her husband in this county three years ago, it developed that the woman had been dead for more than two years. While a prisoner in the county jail soon after her conviction she died leaving an infant whose death soon followed.

GUTIERREZ WILL STUDY SITUATION

His Government Will Go Deeply Into Border Trouble.

SETTLEMENT DELAYED

Mexican Foreign Office Informs State Department That It Will Take All Time Needed to Study All Sides of Question.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The Gutierrez government in Mexico informed the State Department today through the Brazilian minister that General Maytorena at Naco had been ordered "to make no attack and to withdraw his forces from the border" pending a closer study of the situation "in its military and political aspects."

The note was dated January 4th and was signed by Ortiz Rodriguez, the Gutierrez acting secretary for foreign affairs. It read:

"The government of Mexico, showing the best intention of solving the Naco case in a satisfactory manner, today wired Maytorena to make no attack and to withdraw his forces from the border. As for the time being, the situation is so much relieved the foreign office at Mexico City will take the time necessary for the purpose of making a study of the case in its military and political aspects to give its final decision. This course will be followed because the acting secretary for foreign affairs is much occupied with reorganizing the office force and in giving attention to important official affairs.

Conference Today.

The general understanding in official circles tonight was that the closer study referred to probably would develop in the conference tomorrow or Thursday on the international bridge at El Paso between Brig. Gen. Scott, chief of staff, of the United States army, and Gen. Francisco Villa, commander-in-chief of the Gutierrez forces.

Latest advices from the convention at Mexico City were summarized tonight in the following from the State Department:

"The session of the convention yesterday was devoted to a discussion as to whether it could admit civilians as delegates in representation of military principles, and, if permitted, the extent to which such representation by civilians could be allowed. The convention came to no final decision."

The State Department today announced the release of Charles C. Lockhart, of Douglas, Ariz., and another

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RESERVE BOARD MAKES PUBLIC REGULATIONS

To Govern Purchase of Municipal Warrants.

Tentative Rules for Federal Reserve Banks Regarding Purchase of Warrants With Reserve Funds.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The Federal Reserve Board today made public tentative regulations to govern purchase of municipal warrants issued in anticipation of the collection of taxes or receipts of assured revenues. The regulations are designed to permit the Reserve banks to make some use of the reserve funds now on deposit with them by member banks.

Defining acceptable warrants, the board says that obligations payable from "local benefits" and "special assessments" taxes shal not be taken unless the municipality at large is directly or ultimately liable.

Warrants must be those of municipality at large is directly or ultimately liable. Warrants must be those of municipalities in existence for ten years, and municipalities which for a ten-year period previous to purchase has not defaulted, for more than 15 days, in the payment of principal or interest of any funded debt.

Warrants of a municipality with net funded indebtedness exceeding 10 per cent. of the valuation of its taxable property will not be taken.

No Reserve bank shall invest in warrants to exceed ten per cent. of the deposits of its member banks, except with the Reserve Board's approval; and other restrictions are placed upon the amounts to be invested. Special approval must be received to authorize purchase of warrants of municipalities of 10,000 population or less.

RALEIGH BOY ONLY MEMBER OF BARK'S CREW LOST

All Except Earl Lloyd Saved When the Pilgrim Went Down in Atlantic.

Norfolk, Va., January 5. — From reports received here, Earl Lloyd, 21 years old, of Raleigh, N. C., was the only member of the crew of the American bark Pilgrim, formerly the British bark Galve, which foundered in mid-Atlantic ocean December 15. All of the crew excepting Lloyd, who was mess boy on the Pilgrim, were landed at Kirkwall, Scotland, by the Norwegian steamer Thelma.

MILITARY PREPAREDNESS IS DISCUSSED IN EVERY DETAIL AT CONFERENCE LAST NIGHT

URGE A NATIONAL CHILD LABOR LAW

Congress Should Take Hand in Matter, Says Kenyon.

CONDITIONS IN SOUTH

Situation in North Carolina the Worst of Any Southern State—Eleventh Annual Child Labor Conference in Session.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Delegates attending the eleventh annual conference here on child labor were urged today by Senator Kenyon, of Iowa, to reverse their policy of pleading with the captains of industry and invoke a rigid application of law to keep little children out of workships.

"It is no use to argue with the manufacturer who employs children," the senator said. "It is time to bring down the strong hand of the law. Let us flood Congress with letters and telegrams so that Congress may know that this—national legislation prohibiting the employment of children under age—is what the people want. Congress generally yields to public demand.

Representative Palmer, of Pennsylvania, discussed the constitutionality of child labor laws in a brief address. He advocated quick passage of the Palmer-Owen bill as the most effective means of eliminating the child from the factory.

Reports of good work done during the past year throughout the country in behalf of working children were enthusiastically received today at the opening session of the conference. The reports showed there had been a marked improvement of conditions under which children are employed today as compared with those which existed five years ago but it was admitted by several speakers that much remained to be done.

North Carolina Conditions.

Speaking of the conditions which exist in the Southern States, Lewis W. Hine, staff photographer of the National Child Labor committee said:

"I found there had been a marked improvement in the general situation during the last five years," he said, "but very young children are worked today in the North Carolina mills." He told of two sisters, 6 and 7 years of age, he found spinning in one mill and two boys, under 12 years, whose hands he said had been multilated in the machinery.

"Public opinion is pretty generally against children working in the mill," said Mr. Hine. "But one superintendent in North Carolina boasted that he had 30 children below the age limit."

CHILD LABOR CONDITIONS IN CAROLINA MILLS DEPLORABLE

Says Staff Photographer of National Child Labor Committee.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—Lewis W. Hines, staff photographer for the National Child Labor Committee, told that body today at its 11th annual conference that child labor conditions in North Carolina mills were deplorable. He said that his investigation developed that there were children working 11 hours a day who were not over six years of age.

Hines said he found two boys under 12 years of age working in the mills

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BALTIMORE BANKERS MAKE PROTEST TODAY

Will Go Before Federal Reserve Board With Trouble.

Board Will for Next Six Weeks Listen to Protests From Disappointed Cities Regarding Location of Reserve Banks.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Baltimore bankers will appear before the Federal Reserve Board tomorrow to protest against the decision of the Reserve bank organization committee in locating the Federal Reserve bank of the Fifth district in Richmond instead of Baltimore.

This will be the first of a series of hearings to last about six weeks, and in which protests from various cities and localities against the work of the organization committee will be heard. The reserve board has authority under the law to change the committee's decitions, though action of this sort is not expected in many cases. It is probable that weeks will elapse before announcement in any of the cases is made.

Large delegations from both Baltimore and Richmond are expected tomorrow. The hearings will be public. The line of argument to be followed

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Administration House and Senate Leaders and Two Secretaries in Meeting

INCREASE EFFICIENCY

Executive and Legislative Departments to Co-Operate

All Efforts to Be Made to Increase Standard and Efficiency of Both Army and Navy With Means at Hand—Secrecy.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Military preparedness was the subject of an administration conference tonight at the home of Secretary Garrison. Every feature of the army and navy situation, with particular reference to appropriations for the coming year and the general policy to be followed, was discussed. Cabinet officers and leaders in Congress who participated declared no definite conclusions had been repoetrd.

Attending the conference were Secretary Garrison, Secretary Daniels, Senators Chamberlain and Tillman, chairmen respectively of the Senate military and naval committees; Representatives Hay and Padgett, chairmen respectively of the House military and naval committees; Representative Sherley, chairman of the House subcommittee on fortifications appropriations and Representative Underwood, majority House leader.

One of the chief purposes of the conference was to devise plans for co-operative action between the executive adn legislative departments on military and naval affairs in making appropriations and carrying out a general programme for increasing the efficiency of the military ar mof the government.

Outside Discussion Curtailed.

On leaving the conference, one of the participants said that, while no definite plan of procedure had been agreed on, every one present had conceded that every possible effort should be exerted in Congress to bring the army and navy up to the highest standard of efficiency that could be produced with available resources.

"The chief subject of consideration," said Senator Tillman, "was how to do the greatest good for the army and navy without encountering a financial deficit."

Secretary Daniels said the whole naval and military situation had been thoroughly discussed but would not go into details of conference.

Senator Chamberlain told inquirers there had been no proposals for radical or extraordinary changes in the military or nava lforces, and that the condition of both ws considered generally satisfactory.

"Nothing definite," Senator Chamberlain said, "was either discussed or decided upon. It is understood, however, that the bills affecting the naval establishment which I have introduced will be pressed in the Senate."

These bills include measures to increase the army by 25,000 men and 1,000 officers, and to increase the coast artillery corps by 8,000 men.

It developed when the conference was over that all those present had been enjoined to refrain from discussing what transpired. Secretary Garrison announced that if there was anything to be said he would say it tomorrow.

It is understood that the situation on the Mexican border came in for attention.

HOOPER FAVORS HONOR SYSTEM WITH CONVICTS.

Work Them on Road Without Chain, Shackle or Gun is His Policy.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 5.—Governor Hooper, in a message to the legislature today, said he was in favor of working convicts on the public roads but "on the honor system without chains, shackles or guns and giving them an extra deduction from their sentences as an incentive to discipline."

He said he was not in favor of working only short term convicts on the roads because this classification would not harmonize with the honor system.

SUCCEEDS DR. STOCKARD

Miss Lillian Bende Member Peace Institute Faculty.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—In connection with the opening of Peace Institute for the spring term today, there was the addition of a member of the faculty to take the place of the lamented Dr. Jerome Stokard for the chair of Latin. Miss Lillian Beade is the new member of the faculty and she comes from the Bryn Mawr preparatory school of Philadelphia and is an A. M. graduate of Bucknell university. Peace opens with a number of new students and especially bright outlook for the term.

BLEASE RELEASES MORE PRISONERS

South Carolina Governor Extends Clemency to Nine State Convicts.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 5.—Governor Blease today extended executive clemency to nine State prisoners. Two of the men were pardoned, five paroled and two had their sentences commuted. During his four years as South Carolina's chief executive Governor Blease has exercisad clemency toward more than 1,650 prisoners. Joe Bowman, a negro under life sentence for assault, was among those paroled today.

GOETHALS IS BUSY WITH COMMITTEES

Discusses Slides in Canal and Fortifications.

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Governor of the Canal Zone Direct From One Conference to Another With Congress Committees and Bureau Chiefs.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Governor Goethals, of the Panama Canal Zone, told a House appropriations subcommittee today that the slides in the big waterway had proved much more extensive than was at fight thought. At the point where they occurred, he said, there is a channel 100 feet wide and 35 feet deep, but shoaling has complicated the situation.

He did not discuss the probable effect on plans for sending the Atlantic fleet through the canal in March but said the Zone government was working the dredges 20 hours a day to clear the channel. At first it was thought 1,000,000 cubic yards of earth would have to be removed, but 1,500,000 already have been taken out and a great quantity remains.

With several War Department bureau chiefs Governor Goethals went over, behind closed doors, plans for public works and fortifications in the Zone to cost $18,000,000. He said that so far as military information indicated, the fortifications now built and authorized, were satisfactory. Brig.-Gen. Crozier, of the ordnance bureau, expressed the same view.

PLANS ARE CONTINUED

Battleships May Not Be Able to Pass Through Canal at Celebration.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Secretary Garrison today told President Wilson of General Goethals' report that he could not guarantee passage of battleships through the Panama canal at the formal opening in March because of slides.

Secretary Garrison said, however, that even though the battleships were unable to pass there need to be no interference with the plans for the trip of President Wilson, congressmen and diplomats to Panama and the San Francisco exposition. He said the party could be taken around any slides by railway and the trip continued to San Francisco.

Secretary Daniels nevertheless said today he was planning for the dispatch of the Atlantic fleet to San Francisco by way of the canal. He said he had not been advised that the canal might not be passable.

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of Senator Gardner be by acclamation.

The Senate then proceeded with the selection of other caucus candidates, those selected being: Principal clerk, R. O. Self, of Statesville; reading clerk, J. H. Burnett, of Montgomery county; engrossing clerk, W. T. Aycock; sergeant-at-arms, W. D. Gaster, of Cumberland; assistant, George W. Huntley.

The House Caucus.

In the caucus of the House Democrats, A. R. Dunning, of Martin county, called the caucus to order and placed in nomination Col. J. H. Currie, of Cumberland, for chairman of the caucus, his election being unanimous. B. Frank Hanes, of Forsyth, was made secretary of the caucus.

The nomination of Mr. Wooten for speaker was by Representative M. W. Allen, of Wayne, who declared that he had just learned of the graceful withdrawal of the three other aspirants for the place in favor of his candidate. He spoke of the equipment of Mr. Wooten, in experience and in personal ability, describing him as a man well poised and fully aware that the price of cotton cannot be legislated to 10 cents and money cannot be made by resolutions of the General Assembly. Representative Roberts, of Buncombe, seconded the nomination of Wooten and the election by acclamation was on motion of Representative Grier, of Iredell.

Representative Etheridge, of Dare county, informed the caucus that he was elected as an Independent but that he was a Democrat of the Jefferson, Jackson and Bryan type and wanted to know if he was welcome in the caucus. If not he would withdraw. He was assured that he was welcome as an active participant. He stayed.

T. G. Cobb was chosen for re-election as principal clerk by acclamation. D. P. Dellinger, of Gaston, and J. D. Berry of Wake, were put up for reading clerk and Mr. Dellinger won by a vote of 66 to 26. For sergeant-at-arms, J. H. Moring was re-nominated, the vote being Moring 55; David James, of Pitt, 26; and I. J. Brittain, of Guilford, 13. For assistant sergeant-at-arms, Elias J. Jenkins, of Granville, was chosen. For engrossing clerk, M. D. Kinsland, of Haywood, was re-nominated without opposition.

Republican Nominations.

The joint caucus of the seven Republican senators and 22 Republican representatives tonight decided to name Senator R. L. Haymore, Surry, for president pro-tem of the Senate and Representative H. S. Williams, of Cabarrus, for speaker of the House. Republicans will make no other nominations.

NO HITCH AT ALBANY.

New York Legislature Organized Last Night Without Trouble.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 5. — Caucus programmes for the organization of the Legislature which will convene tomorrow were carried out tonight without a hitch. Senator Elon R. Brown was named as the Republican candidate for president pro tem of the upper house, and Thaddeus C. Sweet was the party's nominee for speaker of the Assembly. Former Lieutenant Governor Robert F. Wagner was the Democratic choice for temporary president of the senate, and former speaker Alfred E. Smith was named as Democratic candidate for speaker.

The nominations virtually assure the elections of the Republicans.

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(advertisement.)

REPUBLICANS MAKE DESPERATE FIGHT

Against Government Ship Purchase Measure.

EXTRA SESSION LIKELY

War Waged Against Administration Measure by Minority Senators May Cause Special Session of Congress to Be Called.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Continued Republican belligerency toward the government ship purchase bill has begun to worry administration leaders. With but two months in the life of the Sixty third Congress remaining, all of the big supply bills still undisposed of by the Senate, and minority senators manisfesting a determination to fight the ship bill to the last ditch, fears were expressed by Democratic leaders that the administration's legislative programme is in danger.

As a result of conferences among Democratic senators today, it is probable night sessions may be forced in the near future, to test the endurance of opponents of the shipping bill.

Republican senators today prevented consideration of the ship measure by discussing at length the urgent deficiency bill. Senator Work also talked for three hours on the public health, and announced he still had left 30,000 words of his prepared address, which he intends to deliver on Thursday.

Ulterior Motive.

"It begins to look to me as though there were an ulterior motive behind this protracted debate," said Senator Stone, after several Republican senators had spoken on the urgent deficiency bill, "that it is intended to waste the time of the Senate. It has the complexion of an established filibuster against consideration of the shipping bill. I want to warn senators, however, that the bill will be considered. It is a good long time until Christmas."

"The Fourth of March intervenes," interjected Senator Lodge, "between now and Christmas."

"Yes, I mean Christmas 1915," replied Senator Stone.

Later several senators declared that should the minority prevent passage of the shipping bill at this session an extra session would be called. Intimations of a similar nature also were heard at the White House.

The commerce committee, in charge of the shipping bill, today adopted several amendments submitted yesterday by Senator Stone. One, designed to prevent secret shipments of contraband, would authorize the President to designate ports where customs collectors would be compelled to inspect all goods before they were loaded for foreign ports on ships of American register or vessels to be acquired by the United States under the pending bill. Another amendment would place United States ships under international maritime regulations.

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whose hands were mutilated from mill machinery.

"I found any number of boys and girls of 10 and 11 years old working an 11-hour day,' during the school period "at tasks involving eye and muscle strain. Is it any wonder that I found a whole family, mother and five children, the oldest one 17, of which not one could write his name," he concluded.

Representative Godwin, who returned to Washington yesterday after being forced to remain at home on account of illness, believes conditions in the State are gradually improving.

J. B. Underwood, wife and daughter, of Fayetteville, are here.

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BALTIMORE BANKERS MAKE PROTEST TODAY

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by Baltimore lawyers was indicated tonight in a summary of a brief filed with the board.

The brief claims that Baltimore outranks Richmond in finance, commerce and industry by a ratio of five to one, and that the bank should have gone to the larger city. It puts forth the claim that the course of trade in the Fifth district is towards Baltimore and that Baltimore not only does a larger business than any other city in the Fifth district, but does most of this business in the Fifth district. The boundaries of the district, to a remarkable extent, coincide with the boundaries of the field of Baltimore's commercial predominance, the brief says.

The brief characterizes the reasoning of the organization committee as "Juggling with figures." In order to find a comparison favorable to Richmond, the committee, it says, compares not the statistics of all banks in Richmond and Baltimore, but figures for National banks alone in Virginia and Maryland, ignoring all banking business done by the state banks and trust companies.

ANTIS READY FOR FIGHT.

Will Wage Battle in New England States Soon to Vote on Question.

New York, Jan. 5.—The National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage at a conference here today decided to wage active campaigns in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Ne wYork, four states in which suffrage amendments may be submitted during 1915.

Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, president of the association, was chairman of today's conference which was attended by representatives of many state associations.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

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ENTIRE TURKISH ARMY CORPS IS CAPTURED

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and Archbishop of Malines, was arrested by German authorities, and held a prisoner in his own arch-episcopal palace at Malines under military guard.

The report which has not been confirmed, says the cardinal was arrested because he issuer a pastoral letter read Sunday in churches throughout Belgium which referred to the occupation of Belgium as follows:

"This power has no legal authority and consequently you owe it in your heart neither allegiance nor obedience. The only legal authority in Belgium is that appertaining to our king, his government and the representatives of the nation."

Mercier Not Arrested.

The Hague, via London, Jan. 5.—Cardinal Mercier was expected to deliver a sermon at Antwerp Sunday but failed to appear, and Father Rutten, addressing the congregation, said:

"Antwerp always belonged to the Antwerpians, and it will be theirs in the future. The reason why I, instead of the cardinal, address you, is that owing to exceptional circumstances his enemies prevented from attending."

This statement is the sole foundation for the report that Cardinal Mercier has been arrested.

RADICAL INNOVATION ON FEDERAL POLICIES

Saunders So Charactrizes Ship Purchase Bill.

Boston, Mass., January 5. — The advisability of government purchase of ships, as proposed in a bill pending in Congress was debated at a "merchant marine" dinner of the chamber of cmomerce tonight. Congressman Alexander, of Missouri, sponsor for the bill, characterized it as the magna charta of American shipping.

Congressman E. W. Saunders, of Virginia, objected to the proposal, as a poor business proposition and a breeder of delicate international complications. He said "The bill is the most radical innovation upon Federal policies since the Civil war. It is substantially, if not avowedly, socialistic."

"I am opposed to this measure, among other serious reasons," said Congressman Saunders, "because it is in flat contravention of the plank adopted at the Baltimore convention on the subject of merchant marine. The scheme which would require an appropriation of approximately $10,000,000 and an issue of bonds to the extent of possibly $30,000,000, falls within the condition of this plank, which is directed against measures imposing additional burdens on the people."

BOWDEN SHOOTING AFFAIR RESULTS IN A FATALITY

Zeith Gore, Shot Last Wednesday, Dies in Hospital.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Warsaw, N. C., January 5.—Zeith Gore, who was shot at Bowden last Wednesday, died in a hospital today. Louis Anderson, accompanied by witnesses, came here immediately after the shooting, and submitted to the charge of shooting Gore.

The evidence they gave was that Coleman invited Anderson's sister to go to a dance with him in a neighboring house and that Gore, who was in love with the girl, forbade her to go, threatening to take her life if she went. She prepared to go and Gore advanced in a threatening manner, they said, but was met by the brother, who shot him in the head. Both men fired, but Gore's shot went wild.

The Gore evidence, said to be based on a dying statement of Gore, is quite different.

Trenton, N. J., January 5. — Three men were electrocuted at the State prison tonight, marking the first triple execution since the electric chair was installed in New Jersey. The three were negroes, and paid the death penalty for murder.

GUTIERREZ WILL STUDY SITUATION

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American who were arrested and held by Maytorena for some days.

CARRANZA TROOPS VICTORIOUS.

Puebla, Capital of State of That Name, Captured—Six-Day Siege.

Vera Cruz, Mex., Jan. 5. — Puebla, capital of the state of Puebla, evacuated a month ago by Carranza troops, was retagen today, after a campaign which began with the capture of Tepeaca, a short distance southeast of Puebla, six days ago.

The fall of Puebla came after six hours of what is described as the most furious bombardment to which any Mexican fortress has yet been subjected.

General Alvaro Obregon, commanding the Carranza forces, worked into a position about the city last night with troops reported to have aggregated 30,000 men. He threw nearly all his men into action, beginning the fighting early in the morning.

After pounding with 92 cannon the enemy's positions, reported held by 15,000 men, Obregon's army advanced under fire of the enemy's artillery.

When Obregon left Vera Cruz he told friends that he would be in possession of Puebla in eight days. This time was not up until tonight. Tepeaca, Amozoc and other small towns have been taken since his departure, and Obregon had made his headquarters division base at Apizaco, where the railroad from Puebla joins the main line of the Mexican railway.

Last night he moved this force southward and another force toward the west, cutting both railroads over which the Villa and Zapata forces might proceed toward Mexico City.

Generals Alvaredo and Mallen commanded the forces moving from the east and had under their direction most of the cannon.

How many of the Villa and Zapata troops escaped is not known, but early reports of the fighting indicate that the greater part of them either were killed or made prisoners. From these reports it would seem that in few of the battles that have occurred in Mexico has the slaughter been so swift and so great.

The hardest part of the action was fought outside the city proper. The dead and wounded are said to cover the ground at some places and to be strewn plentifully across a field whose diameter from west to east is some 12 miles.

Communication with Puebla was not established until tonight. Who was in command of the capital forces is not yet known, but their leaders are reported to have been Andrew Almazan and Eufemio Zapata, a brother of Emiliano.

A brief message received at midday announced the result of the fighting and the garrison in Vera Cruz with their bands paraded the streets in honor of the victory. The ringing of church bells conveyed the news to the populace.

We wish to announce the first showing of spring goods today. C. H. Fore & Co. (advertisement.)

ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY

Office of the Treasurer,
Wilmington, N. C., December 31st, 1914.

The Board of Directors of Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company has declared a dividend of two and one-half per cent. on the Common Capital Stock of that Company, payable at the office of the Treasurer, at Wilmington, N. C., on and after January 11th, 1915, to stockholders of record, on the 28th day of December, 1914. The transfer books are closed from December 28th, 1914, to January 11th, 1915, both dates inclusive.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, SUPERIOR Court of New Hanover County.—R. C. Remick vs. Holly Shelter Land Company: Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the Holly Shelter Land Company to file their claims with A. S. Williams, Receiver, Garrell building, Wilmington, N. C., on or before the seventeenth day of February, 1915, or, in accordance with an order made in the above cause, such claims will be barred. After February 17th, 1915, application will be made to the court to direct the receiver to sell so much of the assets of Holly Shelter Land Company as is necessary to pay all labor claims in full.

Dated this 28th day of December, 1914.

A. S. WILLIAMS,
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Outlaws Petition That National Agreement be Declared Illegal, and That 10,000 Players be Declared Free.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—The Federal League today took its most important step in the war on organized baseball filing an anti-trust suit against the leading bodies operating under the National agreement, including the National League, the American League and the National Commission. The suit, it is said, threatens the entire fabric of organized baseball, carrying not only the possibility that the intricate organization be declared illegal and that the inter-league agreements be dissolved, but that the 10,000 ball players in major and minor leagues be declared free agents.

The bill of complaint was filed in the United States district court. Judge Kenesaw M. Landis set January 20th for a hearing. The bill asserts that the National agreement, under which organized baseball exists, was made for the purpose of so dominating players that their engagement by clubs outside the alleged combination would be difficult if not impossible. Eleven prayers for relief are included, as follows:

1. That the National agreement and the rules of the National Commission be declared illegal and the defendants enjoined from operating under them.

2. That the defendants be declared to constitute a combination, conspiracy and monopoly in contravention of the anti-trust statutes, and that they be enjoined from further doing business as a part of said monopoly.

3. That the defendants be declared to have conspired to injure or destroy the plaintiff's business and enjoined from continuing their conspiracy, particularly from saying the plaintiffs are financially irresponsible and from threatening with "black list" all players under Federal contract.

4. That all contracts with players heretofore made by the defendants under the National agreement be declared as to the plaintiffs null, void, and of no effect, and that the defendants be enjoined from seeking to enforce such contracts against players later signed by the Federals.

5. That the defendants be ordered to dismiss the various actions now pending against players.

6. That they be restrained from seeking, by injunctions, threats or promises to prevent other players from performing their several contracts.

Section seven asks a preliminary injunction covering the various matters, while sections eight and nine ask damages and relief for injuries to the Federal League. Sections 10 and 11 ask that writs of injunction and subpoenas be issued.

"O. B. Invites It"—Herrmann.

Cincinnati, Jan. 5.—Chairman Herrmann, of the National Commission, commenting today on the Federal League's suit, said:

"An investigation or a suit of this character is something that has been invited by organized baseball, either through the courts, or a committee representing Congress for some years past, and we have every reason to believe that when the same has been tried and finished there will be an absolutely clean book for the National game.

"It will also place organized baseball in a position to make charges against the Federal League through their answer in this case that will be both astounding and surprising to the baseball public."

"I Have No Fear"—Tener.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 5.—President Tener made this statement regarding the baseball suit:

"I have no fear as to the outcome. I only regret that because of any exigent circumstances the Federal League has felt impelled to undertake to annul an agreement which the members of that league as supporters and advocates of the National game know has materially contributed to the uplift and betterment of the game and been of great benefit and protection to the players and in its operation has given general satisfaction to the public."

ORGANIZED BALL TO FIGHT.

Ban Johnson Says Suit the Result of Recent Congressional Resolution.

New York, Jan. 5.—Organized baseball will fight the suit begun by the Federal League in the United States court in Chicago, President Ban Johnson, of the American League declared here tonight.

"This suit is an offshoot of the Gallagher Congressional resolution a few years ago to investigate the baseball trust," which was pigeon holed," Johnson said.

"We said then we would welcome Congressional investigation and we feel the same about it now.

"Of course we will fight the suit. Organized baseball is not a trust. Anybody can buy a team in organized baseball or anybody can operate an independent league. We have no desire to prevent any one from entering the baseball business as long as they respect our contracts. I am afraid of only one thing, and that is that the Federal League will blo wup before the suit can be heard."

Johnson alluded to the suit as "a new Federal League publicity campaign."

HANS LOBERT HAS SIGNED WITH NEW YORK GIANTS

Game in Exchange for Demaree, Stock, Adams and Some Cash.

New York, Jan. 5.—Hans Lobert today signed a three-year contract with the New York Nationals. Lobert, former Philadelphia baseman, came to the Giants in a trade yesterday for Stock, Demaree, Adams and a cash consideration.

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GOLDSBORO IS READY AND WANTS BASEBALL

Men of Mhans Are Anxious to Back Team

Enthusiasm Has Been Aroused to High Pitch by Recent Announcement Regarding Forming League in East Carolina.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 5.—Recently an article appeared in the State papers in regard to forming a baseball league for Eastern North Carolina, which has aroused a good deal of interest in this city, and in his daily round your correspondent has been informed that Goldsboro is ready to put a club in the field and the information in regard to backing a club financially comes from a reliable source.

Many here who would have given their support to a team last year were unable to do so, due to the fact that other towns in the supposed circuit did not take active interest in the movement.

The outlook for baseball during the coming season is, from the viewpoint of numerous fans and business men in various lines of trade and industry, very much more promising than it was when the old league was formed, and which did not at that time prove a paying proposition.

Goldsboro would have to go to a greater expense in joining the league than any other town on the proposed circuit, due to the fact that there is now no baseball park here, while most, if not all of the other towns, with a few improvements, could in a short time, have an excellent park ready for the umpire to yell "Play Ball."

Arrangements are being made by the citizens of Goldsboro and the Chamber of Commerce to extend the Goldsboro street railway more extensively throughout the city and to run a line out to Revile and Herman parks, and in talking to one of the directors of the old league he stated that he would be in favor of erecting the ball park at one of the above resorts.

In expressing his opinion in regard to whether or not the league would pay, he said that he believed it undoubtedly would, and also believed that the attendance would be good all over the circuit, due to the fact that there are now thousands of automobiles in service, with good roads, making it only a pleasant drive to reach the towns all over the circuit.

Fans in this city would like to see the league composed of any of the following towns: Wilmington, Goldsboro, Wilson, Rocky Mount, Kinston, Greenville, Newbern, Raleigh and Fayetteville. Wilmington, of course, will be ready to join in, and Rocky Mount is another sure bet at any time.

Goldsboro undoubtedly wants baseball—wants it bad, and is only awaiting a call to a meeting at any of the above named towns, and will be right on hand with the goods to carry out her part of any agreement. E.R.B.

Mack Fills 2nd B. With Nap Lajoie

VETERAN FRENCHMAN RELEASED TO ATHLETICS BY CLEVELAND CLUB

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 5.—Napoleon Lajoie, for 13 years second baseman and former manager of the Cleveland Americans, was released today to the Philadelphia Americans.

Lajoie in 1901 jumped from the Philadelphia Nationals to the newly formed Philadelphia American League team, where he played until June, 1902. On June 4, 1902, he played his first game with Cleveland where he was manager from 1905 to 1909. Connie Mack admitted today he expected to use Lajoie at second base.

WALTER J. TRAVIS WINS QUALIFICATION MEDAL

In Twelfth Annual Mid-winter Golf Tournament.

Pinehurst, N. C., Jan. 5.—Walter J. Travis, of the Garden City club, Long Island, won the qualification gold medal in today's play in the twelfth annual midwinter golf tournament here. His card for the 18 holes was 79. Eighty-two players participated.

Others of the 16 entrants who qualified with low scores for the first division were Chisholm Beach, of Fox Hills, Staten Island, with an 80; Dr. C. H. Gardner, of Agawam, Providence, R. I., 82; Robert Hunter, of Weeburn, Stamford, Conn., and Parker W. Whittemoore, of Brookline Country club, Massachusetts, 83; R. Adams Balfe, Southshore, Brooklyn, 85, and W. A. Barber, of Princeton, N. J.; W. E. Truesdale, of Fox Hills, and R. C. Shannon, second, of Oakhil, Rochester, N. Y., 88.

Four divisions will continue in match play rounds through Saturday.

ST. LOUIS FEDERALS WILL TRAIN AT HAVANA, CUBA,

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 5.—The St. Louis Federal Baseball team will go into training at Havana, Cuba, late next month, according to announcement tonight.

To be Married Today.

License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. John P. Smith, of this city, and Miss Christian Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Major Scott, of Rocky Point. The marriage will take place here today, Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiating.

EUROPE'S DEMAND FOR BREAD EFFECTS WHEAT

Cash Price the Highest in 40 Years for January.

Highest Grades of Flour Advance Fifty-Five Cents a Barrel—Wheat Futures Gain Three Cents During Day's Trading.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Cash wheat sold here today for $1.36 1-4 a bushel, the highest January price in more than 40 years. In consequence, top grades of flour were up 55 cents a barrel and quoted at $7.35. The abnormal European demand for breadstuffs was held responsible for the rise.

Second quality flour that sold for $5.60 last week was quoted at $6.30 a barrel today. Flour that commanded today $7.15 sold in August for $5.30.

Waves of buying on 'change carried the chief speculative wheat option, May delivery, up to $1.37 5-8, to 3-4, a leap of more than 10 cents in a week and three cents or more above last night. Many brokers declared the May option could go far beyond the $1.85 record established in 1898, at the time of the Leiter deal. Several predicted $2.00 wheat.

On the other hand, export buying came to at least a temporary halt today so far as Chicago was concerned, though not at the seaboard. It also was a fact that great numbers of speculative traders including many so-called 11th hour bulls, were content to realize profits and get out of the market.

CANDY CO'S. CONSOLIDATE

Mathews and Warren Business Will Operate Together in Front Street Store Hereafter.

For the purpose of reducing overhead and operating expenses an din order to allow the North State Candy Company room to expand its growing manufacturing business, the E. L. Mathews Candy Company, heretofore located with the North State Company at Front and Hanover streets, and the Warren Candy Company, located at No. 117 North Front street, have been consolidated and will hereafter be operated in the location of the latter corporation.

All three businesses have been closely allied heretofore, with Mr. E. L. Mathews as president of each. The North State Candy Company in the manufacturing business; the E. L. Mathews Candy Company the wholesale business and the Warren Candy Company the retail business.

The wholesale and retail ends of the business will now be located at 117 North Front street, the wholesale business under the name of the E. L. Mathews Candy Company and the retail firm will be known as the Mathews Candy Company, the latter taking the place of the Warren Candy Company.

The Mathews Candy Company will be managed by Mr. E. L. Mathews, who will by locating both the wholesale and retail businesses under one roof be able to give them both more of his personal attention than heretofore.

Assisting him will be Mr. H. G. Warren, recently from Columbia, S. C., an experienced and capable candy and ice cream man, who has been with the Warren company for the past several weeks.

The above changes are really effective January 1, though the moving of the wholesale business to the Front street store has not yet been completed. It is expected, however, that this will be finished by tomorrow morning, and thereafter the E. L. Mathews Candy Company will operate from there.

Mr. Mathews stated last night that the manufacturing business of the North State Company will be expanded considerably now that the removal of the wholesale business from the same building makes available additional space for the purpose.

MRS. JAMES LAURENCE SPRUNT

Her Death Occurred at Home Yesterday Afternoon—Funeral.

The community was shocked to hear the news of the death of Mrs. James Laurence Sprunt which occurred January 5, 1915, at her home, South Front street.

Mrs. Sprunt is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Price, of Baltimore, and was married two and a half years ago to Mr. James Laurence Sprunt, o fthis city, only son of Mr .and Mrs. James Sprunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Price were with their daughter at the time of her death, having come on to spend the Christmas holidays.

Her death was so entirely unexpected that it was a terrible blow to the family. Mrs. Sprunt leaves an infant son born January 5, 1915.

Since her marriage with Mr. James L. Sprunt she has made herself felt in the community by her gentle influence and her participation in the city's various benevolent and religious activities.

Mrs. Sprunt has a large circle of relatives here and is a neice to Mrs. Ancrum Lord and Mrs. Charles S. Grainger and connected with many prominent families here and in Baltimore.

Mr. Sprunt's family circle is also large and there are many kith and kin on both sides to whom her death is a great grief.

Mrs. Sprunt was only 23 years of age and her death was as untimely as it is sad. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to her family in their great sorrow.

The funeral will take place Thursday morning at 11 o'clock from the residence on South Front street.

MEETING OF TRUCKERS

After Discussion Organization of Association Postponed.

A conference of the truckers of New Hanover county was held in the Court House yesterday afternoon for the purpose to devising plans for organizing a county organization. It had been planned to complete the organization at this time, but as there are three of the local organizations that have not yet selected their representative on the Board of Directors this was postponed.

Five local associations have already been organized and have elected a representative on the board of directors of the county association. There will be another meeting of the truckers at an early date when it is hoped that everything will be in readiness for completing the county organization.

DIES FROM ACCIDENT

Mr. Henry E. Thompson, of Whiteville, Died Here Yesterday.

Mr. Henry E. Thompson, 30 years old, of Whiteville, died at the James Walker Memorial Hospital yesterday morning at 2 o'clock as a result of injuries received near his home last Friday when he was struck by a falling tree. The remains were taken to Whiteville yesterday afternoon and were accompanied by his father, Mr. J. F. Thompson, who was with him when he died.

The interment will be made in the family burying ground this morning and will be with Masonic honors. He was a devoted member of Smyrna Baptist church and the funeral will be conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. H. Poteet.

Surviving the deceased besides his father are his wife and several brothers and sisters.

Before the Recorder.

Boss Scarboro, colored, charged with highway robbery, assault with a deadly weapon, carrying a concealed weapon and larceny, had his inning in the Recorder's court yesterday morning and was sent to Superior Court for trial. His bond was fixed at $2,000 but he did not have occasion to stay in long on this young as Judge Whedbee sentenced him yesterday afternoon to five years in the State penitentiary. The negro was inclined to be saucy. Addie Simmons, colored, was taxed with the cost for being disorderly.

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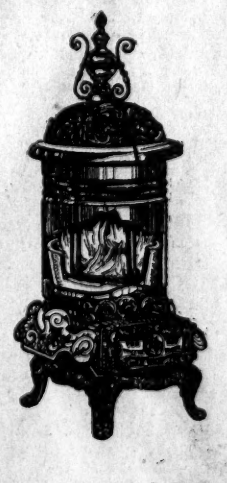

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People who lead a dog's life generally do more growling than a dog when he is treated wrong.

One reason why a man never tells any secrets on himself is because he does not want to be considered a bigger fool than he is.

We have more winter visitors than ever came to the South before. We are glad to see this winter movement to the South, even if Florida does have to make all the arrangements to take care of the tourists.

Prosperity depends on buying and selling. When some cease buying and others are not able to sell, times get hard. There is no brand of politics under the sun that will make people prosperous if there is no supply and demand.

If you have building, repairing or painting that will have to be done, have it done now. It will cost less than later on and it will provide work for the unemployed. At this time a man ca nbe a benefactor as well as a constructionist.

The Jacksonville Times-Union philosopher observes: "Some men will get up and give their seats to women on the water wagon before they will on a street car." Probably that's the reason the largest number of people on the water wagon are women.

It is said a Michigan college girl who is taking a course in engineering swings a sledge hammer four hours a day as a part of her training. Unless her sweetheat is a man of iron he should find out some excuse for getting him a girl who will not be able to hammer him into subjection after marriage.

A New York millionaire who took his bride on a honeymoon around the world has been divorced. A North Carolinian and his bride spent their honeymoon in preparations to keep house in a five-room cottage. During the past five years they have seen more real happiness than if they had been worth a million and been able to go on a tour all over the world. What is happiness worth?

It is estimated that seven quarts of liquor to every man, woman and child are consumed annually in the United States. It should be explained, however, that men consume most of the share statistically allotted to the women and children. It must also be remembered that there are hundreds of thousands of men who are never known to take a drink unless they are by themselves or with somebody else.

There are at least 300,000 families of various sizes in North Carolina. If each family consumes 35 cents' worth of butter every week, it would make $105,000 worth of butter a week, or $5,460,000 a year. How much butter not made in North Carolina is consumed by her people? Our useless butter expense alone would be astonishing. The State Agricultural Department estimates that North Carolina the past year spent $12,834,000 for foodstuffs, including corn, wheat, flour, meat, hay, etc. We haven't the slightest idea that would touch it with a 10-foot pole.

Protectionists are crying for a high tariff at the wrong time. Imports are now so small that we have to pay direct war taxes, because the country can not get revenue unless there are foreign shipments upon which to collect the tariff duty. A high tariff would increase the cost of imported goods and enable home manufacturers to increase prices on domestic manufactures. That is why a high tariff is advocated by manufacturers. With exports shut off by war and the money now from Europe stopped, any attempt to increase prices by increasing the tariff would be the stupidest kind of economy. Increased prices on what we have to buy and low prices on what we have to sell would just about fix the clock of the people of this country.

GOVERNMENT OWNED SHIPS

If the United States is to have a merchant marine, the government will have to own the ships or pay private owners for owning the ships and doing the business. That is what a subsidy would mean. It is either government ownership or subsidy. Take your choice. Those who want to put ships in the business prefer a subsidy. That is natural. The American capitalist who puts his money in ships wants the government to make him a contribution in the shape of a subsidy. Whether that is the best way or whether it is better for the government to furnish all the money and own all the ships is the question that is going to create a tremendous debate in Congress for an indefinite period.

Government purchase or charter of ships, or both, is now the leading issue before Congress. The bill to that effect, on Tuesday, was made the "unfinished business" of the Senate, a step which gives it the right of way before every other bill except those carrying appropriations to run the government itself. The bill, therefore, will come up at once and often, and it will be threshed over by all comers for months probably, since it is predicted that the debate is to be a long and probably bitter one.

The bill has the endorsement of President Wilson. It provides for the creation of a National Shipping Board and establishes a corporation to be financed with $10,000,000, with the power to spend that sum and not exceeding $30,000,000 for the purchase or charter of ocean steamships. The passage of such a bill would mean that the government is going into the shipping business and the carrying of cotton, wheat or other commodities of export and import. It also would mean that Uncle Sam would be a competitor with American ship owners who remain in the business to give him a race for his money—if they can. They doubt the can part of it, which rather indicates that they would not relish government competition. They love a shipping trust better, so they can even eliminate competition of any description.

The Democrats generally are behind the government shipping bill, but some Democrats will fight it. The Republicans generally antagonize it, although some Republicans probably will support it. In the main, however, the Democrats will take the affirmative and the Republicans the negative, with the prospect that we are to witness one of the greatest debates this country ever saw in Congress. The big guns among the Democrats will stand back of the bill, while the ablest Republican debaters in Congress will fire their biggest seige guns to demolish anything in the shape of a government shipping enterprise.

The proposition has two great big sides to it. The Democrats will have no trouble in showing its necessity, but the Republicans will endeavor to prove that the necessity will be loaded with danger. They will argue that it will not relieve shipping conditions and yet provoke international complications. "Every craft set afloat by the government would add one more risk of our being drawn into the present war," they contend. For that matter, however, every craft flying the American flag is a risk for us, since it is supposed to carry protection with the flag. A subsidized ship certainly would call for Uncle Sam's protection, so the Republicans will hardly make a stand-off on that argument. The seizure of a private owned ship or the seizure of a government owned ship would mean laying hands on American commerce. That would be the real international issue without regard to the ownership of the craft.

The Democrats are going to come very nearly proving that we are not going to have any American merchant marine unless Uncle Sam furnishes the ships or subsidizes those who may do so. Whether the government can conduct a steamship business as economically and efficiently as private owners is a question. Yet if Americans are not going to put freight and passenger ships on the ocean, Uncle Sam will have to do it sooner or later.

At present, neither private owners nor the government have ships for carrying the country's commerce, and the war in Europe has proven how hard this country's commerce has been hit by such a condition.

Watch that debate. It will be illuminating. The interests of all America are concerned in it. The country has no shipping facilities. The Democrats propose that it shall have. The Republicans oppose the Democratic way, and will suggest another. Yet the Republicans have had 50 years in which not to give the country a merchant marine. Probably they are wiser now. Probably not.

In the meantime, the address of Chairman Alexander, of the House marine committee ,before the Boston Chamber of Commerce last night, report of which The Star carries this morning, furnishes food for thought and sheds light on the situation.

INTERVENTION AS A SOLUTION.

Of course, the Mexican situation is very annoying but if it annoyed us as much as it does some folks, we would go down to Mexico and be a general as soon as we landed on the spot. Mexico is seething with revolution. All of us know that. There can be but one of two solutions to the conditions down there—"watchful waiting" for the Mexicans to fight it out themselves, or American intervention so we can do some of the fighting in order to settle the hash of the turbulent greasers.

That is all there is to it. There are only two questions before the house—watchful waiting or intervention. "Watchful waiting" is President Wilson's plan. Intervention is the plan of everybody who doesn't like any kind of Democratic President anyhow. Of course, they may be wiser than either Wilson or Solomon, but the President has every reason to fear that he could not depend on their wisdom to crush the Mexicans. Intervention would call for men who are willing to die in order to make the Mexicans quit fighting. The President is wise enough to know that and he also is wise enough to know that the average intervention Solomon isn't willing to shoulder a gun and march into Mexico with a grim determination to drink alkali water or bite the dust or spill the gore of every Mexican who wants to fight some other Greaser.

We sympathize with the President in his perplexity over the Mexican situation. It is an exceedingly grave question that seems to call for a great lot of fighting. The fighting has to be done by the Mexicans themselves or between Americans and Mexicans. Up to now, the President has decided that because the Mexicans want to fight each other is not sufficient reason why we should want to fight all sides engaged in doing the fighting in Mexico. Of course, interventionists think differently, so long as they have no idea of doing any of the fighting.

We would hate to be an interventionist because if we thought intervention would bring any solution to the Mexican trouble we would be willing to go to Mexico and die the inglorious death of an interventionist. Of course, if we should join the army of intervention and get on the firing line, every Mexican we would pull down on would be included among the slain, but in the meantime we might be killed while we were killing Mexicans. Somebody would have to take chances on that, and our idea of it is that it should be the interventionists. However, rather than let all the interventionists do all the fighting and dying, we are willing to join all the interventionists who will notify the Secretary of War that they stand for intervention and are willing to die by it.

We think honest, patriotic Americans of all parties ought to stand by the President in his desire to keep this country and Americans out of war until it is absolutely inevitable. When it becomes a dire necessity, however, every American as well as the intervention declaimers should back up the President with their lives and money, or both—mostly both. "War is hell," of course, but if there are those who insist on it they ought to be willing to go to the front and find it out like General Sherman.

We write this mostly because we hear street corner interventionists and political shortstops talking it. Many may be perfectly honest, but we have often wondered if they actually think the Mexicans would stay licked and lead peaceful, humble lives after we got through with them and left with the remains of our army. We also wonder if they have thought of the problem that would face us after we should carry out a successful intervention campaign. That problem would be what to do with Mexico after we overran it with our armies. We would have to stay or leave—which? If we should leave, who would guarantee that the Mexicans would not get busy again and call on us for a return engagement? Who fancies for a moment that we would not have to intervene more than once if we took Mexico's problem on our shoulders?

A prominent interventionist declared recently that the Mexicans would have to be ruled by military power. Suppose they do. We would like to hear him explain whether we shall establish a military government of our own in Mexico or let the Mexicans fight it out and establish one of their own.

We are trying a bit of military rule ourselves right now with very indifferent success. Our rule in the Philippines was set up by bayonets more than 16 years ago and it is there yet. Who thinks two minutes whether the Philippines would have settled down in peace had we left them with our army? Even with an army there for sixteen long years, there was only recently a formidable conspiracy for revolution.

Who thinks seriously that we could establish peace in Mexico by making war on that country? Who has the slightest idea that we could intervene in Mexico to settle a problem of theirs without acquiring a tremendous problem for ourselves? Who?

FRUIT GROWERS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Western North Carolina's great apple growing industry has resulted in this State's being named by the government in the list of America's apple producing States. It is up to eastern North Carolina to put it in the list of peach growing and small fruit producing States. We already have made it one of the leading small fruit States, and we have the opportunity to make it the greatest nut growing State in America. Just now, however, the possibilities of peach growing are attracting attention. Especially is that the case in the eastern central part of the State. The Sanford Express says about it:

"An agent for a Tennessee nursery sold and delivered $3,100 worth of fruit trees in the Broadway section this fall. Of this amount he has collected $2,300. This man is a good collector. It seems that the farmers around Broadway are going in for raising more fruit. The soil is well adapted to fruit culture and in a few years there will probably be large fruit farms in that section just as we find in the Southern Pines section."

It is presumed that most of these trees to be planted near Sanford are peaches, yet the Sand Hill section will produce a great variety of fruits. This State is coming, and in twenty-five years we will begin to realize what we ought have made of North Carolina 50 years ago.

In Chicago on Monday the price of wheat for May delivery went up to $1.34 3-4 a bushel. War in Europe and the consequent demand there for bread is making wheat growers rich. The opposite effect prevails as to cotton. The price of cotton is low because manufacturing has been curtailed, ships to carry cargoes can not be had, and water freight rates and marine insurance are excessive. It recently cost $15 a bale to ship cotton from Wilmington to Germany. Cotton is selling there at from 20 to 22 cents per pound but a large proportion of the price is in the cost of handling and shipping. The war rule worked one way on wheat and another on cotton.

HEALTH WORK IN COLUMBUS ATTRACTS WIDE ATTENTION

Largest Number of Rural Homes With Sanitary Conveniences in South.

The following is from Dr. P. W. Covington, assistant director of the work against hookworm disease under the auspices of the State Board of Health and the Rockefeller Sanitary Commission:

"The health work recently conducted by the North Carolina State Board of Health and the Rockefeller Sanitary Commission at Hallsboro, Columbus county, has reached a successful conclusion. Because of the fact that in this community there are a larger number of homes with sanitary conveniences than in any other rural community in the South, Hallsboro has come in for a large share of public attention. Similar work has been conducted in a number of other communities in the State, but Hallsboro has the distinction of showing the greatest sanitary progress in the largest number of rural homes. Previous to the work eighty per cent of the homes had no closets, while now all of the 263 homes in the community, with the exception of three, have a sanitary closet costing upon the average $5. In addition to this all of the population (1,623) have been examined microscopically for intestinal parasites. Approximately half of the fifty-eight per cent showing infection have been cured, as shown by further microscopic tests; and 172 were immunized against typhoid. During the four months of work lectures were given at weekly intervals at the school houses and churches located at various points in the community.

"When it is realized that practically half of the rural homes in the State are without sanitary conveniences and that public health work heretofore has of necessity been confined very largely to our towns and cities, the great stride made at Hallsboro can be better appreciated.

"The successful completion of the work was due to both the co-operation given by those living in the community and the material assistance rendered by Mr. F. G. Gault, of Lake Waccamaw, and Prof. F. T. Wooten, superintendent of the public schools in Columbus county."

CURRENT COMMENT.

Even with the city manager plan we suppose it is impossible to get away from the ward plan of selecting aldermen.—Durham Herald.

If it is true that the National Guard is becoming, or has been allowed to remain, a comparatively useless organization of weakkneed, flabby-muscled, thin-chested tango trotters, certaintly the state that permits the continuation of such a body of men on public appropriations is wasting some of its money. After all, the best sort of National Guard is the rough-and-ready sort, for that is the only kind that will stand the gaff in the field. True, the purely ornamental soldiery has its uses, but not in connection with history that is now in the making.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

The Observer enters the New Year adjusted to the new ownership and management developed by the death of Mr. D. A. Thompkins, and under the arrangement planend by him through which Mr. George Stephens and Mr. Word H. Wood become owners of a majority of the stock of the company. Mr. Stephens has been selected as president, and Mr. Wood secretary and treasurer, while Mr. A. S. Tompkins, brother of Mr. D. A. Tompkins, represents the stock of the Tompkins estate. For some months Mr. Tompkins had been shaping the affairs of the company to this end, in his judgment and wisdom having selected Mr. Stephens and Mr. Wood as the heads he would have to succeed him in the controlling interests of the paper, and as the best and most satisfactory guaranteed of the future good of the company. It is the eventuation of the arrangement desired and made by Mr. Tompkins that is now formally announced, and which will serve to establish in the minds of the public the business status of The Observer. It may not be considered necessary, but it might be well at this time to also make clear the political policy of The Observer. It will be a paper Democratic to the core. Starting at the home base—which is township, county and town—it will give its support to the Democratic party platform and principles through the White House. To the best of its ability and strength. The Observer will give its devotion to the Democratic party and its principles.—Charlotte Observer.

It is a matter which is a source of pride to all the people of North Carolina that there continues to be made away from home by sons of the State records of the very best, that year after year it continues to be demonstrated that where North Carolina sits "is the head of the table." Only very recently there was a high honor which came to a son of this State, Hon Shepard Bryan, of Atlanta, a son of Judge Henry R. Bryan, of Newbern, who was elected president of the Atlanta Bar Association at the annual banquet of the association at which over three hundred were present. This is an honor which worthily comes to Mr. Bryan, who has taken high place with the bar of Georgia, and his election was heard of with great gratification by his many friends in North Carolina. Paying high tribute to Mr. Bryan, the Atlanta Saturday Night says of him: "Saturday Night congratulates the Atlanta Bar Association upon its selection of Shepard Bryan for president. Affable, studious, thorough, level-headed, gifted with strong common sense and a clear conception of the basic principles of the law, he has steadily made his way to the forefront and is recognized as a safe counsellor and one of the strong men in his profession." That is happily said, and those who know Mr. Bryan realize that it is merited.—Raleigh News and Observer.

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IMPRESSIVE SERVICE AT ST. JAMES' TODAY

Consecration of Rev. Thos C. Darst, D. D., as Bishop.

Bishop Tucker Made Eloquent Address on Missions Last Evening—Bishop Tuttle Delayed—Many Visitors in City.

The consecration of Rev. Thos. C. Darst, D. D., as Bishop of East Carolina, will take place in St. James' Episcopal church this morning at 11 o'clock and will be attended not only by a large congregation from the city, but also by many of the clergy and prominent laity of the Diocese, as well as by a number of personal friends of the Bishop-elect from Richmond, Newport News, Norfolk and other places in Virginia.

On account of missing his connection at Hamlet, Presiding Bishop Tuttle was prevented from reaching Wilmington in time to make the address at the mission service at St. James' last night. Bishop Tucker, of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, was secured to make the address instead and was heard by a large and attentive congregation in an earnest plea for a greater interest in this important part of the work of the church.

Bishop-elect Darst arrived in the city yesterday and is a guest at the Hotel Wilmington. After his consecration today he will occupy the Episcopal residence on Orange street. Rev. and Mrs. John M. Robeson, of Richmond, Va., are also guests at the Hotel Wilmington.

Bishop Tuttle arrived last night and is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Giles at Carolina Heights. Bishop Tucker is a guest at the home of Maj. and Mrs. W. N. Harriss in the Carolina Apartments. Bishop Gravatt is a guest of Mr. Clayton Giles, Sr. Bishop Cheshire is the guest of Judge and Mrs. Rountree at Carolina Heights.

Bishop Gibson, of Virginia, who was to have taken part in the service, was unfortunately kept at home on account of illness. His place on the programme will be taken by Bishop Horner, of Asheville.

At the service last night Bishop Gravatt read the short service. Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James', introduced Bishop Tuttle and Bishop Cheshire made the closing announcements.

Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of St. John's and Archdeacon T. P. Noe, were also present in the chancel.

A special feature of the service last night preceding the address by Bishop Tucker was an organ recital by Mr. Wm. G. Robertson, organist and choirmaster of St. James'.

Preparatory to the impressive consecration service this morning at 11 o'clock a morning prayer service will be held at 9:30 o'clock. The communion and consecration service will take place promptly at 11 o'clock.

The following distinguished prelates will take part in the consecration service:

Consecrators—Rt. Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of Missouri and Presiding Bishop; Rt. Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, D. D., Bishop of North Carolina; Rt. Rev. Bishop Horner, of Asheville.

Preacher—Rt. Rev. William Loyall Gravatt, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.

Presenters—Rt. Rev. Beverly Dandridge Tucker, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia; Rt. Rev. William Alexander Guerry, D. D., Bishop of South Carolina.

Attending Presbyters—The Rev. John M. Robeson and the Rev. Chas. Aylett Ashby.

Deputy Registrar—The Rev. William Edward Cox.

Master of Ceremonies—The Rev. William Hammond Milton, D. D.

The order of procession will be as follows: Crucifer, choir, vestry of St. James' church, Wilmington; lay representatives of the Diocese of East Carolina; representatives of St. James' church, Richmond, Va.; clergy of the Diocese of East Carolina; visiting clergy; clerical members of the standing committee of East Carolina; deputy registrar; master of ceremonies; visiting Bishops; attending Presbyters; Bishop-elect; the presenting Bishops, the consecrators; the presiding Bishop.

Following is the programme for the consecration service:

Processional hymns, 507 and 516.
The Holy Communion.
The Collect, Epistle and Gospel.
Hymn 586.
The Sermon.
Presentation of the Bishop-elect.
Testimonials—Certificates of election by the Convention of the Diocese, canonical testimonial, certificates of ordinations, consent of standing committees, consent of Bishops, constitutional declaration.
The form of consecrating a Bishop.
Anthem, "Forward Be Our Watchword."
Hymn 523.
Communion service.
The offertory anthem, "Send Out Thy Light"—Gounod.
The communion hymn, 295.
Benediction.
Recessional hymns, 311 and 401.

With the exception of the seats reserved for the visiting clergy and laity, ministers of the city and those taking part in the service, the church will be open to the public in the order of their coming. No cards of admission will be issued.

Dr. Milton in introducing Bishop Tucker last night stated that while he regretted that Bishop Tuttle could not be present, he had no regrets in being able to introduce the speaker of the evening. It was very fitting, he said, that he should speak on the subject of missions, as his son, who is now a missionary Bishop in Japan, is one of the coming men of the church and is destined to play an important part in shaping the work of missions in the East. It gave him an added pleasure to be able to introduce Bishop Tucker because he had served under him before coming to Wilmington.

Bishop Tucker expressed his pleasure in being able to be present on this occasion. He modestly declared that he could not in any way hope to measure up to Bishop Tuttle, who has written a large page in the history of the church, especially in the West. He paid a splendid tribute to Dr. Milton, who has been sadly missed in the Diocese of Southern Virginia, he said, because of his whole souled consecration and wonderful energy.

He recalled the splendid work that has been done by St. James' and said that he had often used it as an example to inspire other churches to better works.

He spoke of this church as being one of sacred memories and spoke of the inspiring ministry of Bishops Watson and Strange.

It gave him an added pleasure to speak on the eve of the consecration of Dr. Darst who, he declared, came in the simplicity of character which has always marked his conduct to assume an office which men call a high one, but which in the sight of God is not more important than that of any humble Christian.

He thanked God that the day has come when it is no longer necessary to defend or apologize for missions. He recalled the establishing of the mission work of the Episcopal church less than 90 years ago and mentioned the splendid achievements of some of the men who have gone forth as missionaries.

He recalled the representative character of the church and while it is not great in numbers as some of the other denominations, it nevertheless occupies an important place in the world.

He spoke of the present time as being one when our faith is tried. When we view the horrible war now being waged we are tempted to ask if God really cares. However, we cannot understand God's plans, but must take His works on faith.

The Bishop closed with an appeal that each and everyone would consecrate himself more fully to the work that remains to be done.

LOCAL EXPORTS CLIMBING

Two Steamers Cleared Yesterday for European Ports With Cargoes Worth Half Million.

Exports from the port of Wilmington yesterday totaled nearly half a million dollars and strongly indicate that conditions locally are rapidy becoming normal. Two cargoes, one of cotton and one of oilcake, both destined for European ports, were carried from here by neutral vessels, one of which was an American passenger steamer.

With 9,529 bales of cotton in her hold, approximate value of which reaches $400,000, the American steamer City of Savannah cleared and sailed for Rotterdam yesterday afternoon. The clearance of this steamer demonstrates the fancy prices that are being paid for trans-Atlantic freight cargoes. That an American passenger steamer, enjoying capital business from two such ports as New York and Savannah, can leave her run thus jeopardising her future business, to carry freight to Europe clearly shows there is much money to be made in carrying cargoes through the mine fields of Europe. The steamer City of Savannah is under command of First Mate Nelson, her master having resigned his position rather than take the perilous trip across the Atlantic. The vessel and cargo were shipped by Mr. D. H. Lippitt as agent. The City of Savannah carries the third full cargo for export from the Wilmington this season.

Mr. James Bergen, who is connected with a foreign office of Alex Sprunt & Son, local cotton exporters, and who has been at home here for some months, sailed on the City of Savannah as super-cargo.

The Danish steamer Osborn, under the command of Captain Jergensen, with a cargo of oilcake valued at $60,000 cleared and sailed for Odense, Denmark. This is the second cargo of oilcake to leave this port during the past six weeks, both being shipped from the Seaboard Air Line Terminals and by Mr. Henry Whyte as agent.

The revenue cutter Seminole, having made a few necessary repairs to steam apparatus aboard, has returned to her cruise along the coast looking out for shipping in general in waters adjacent to the North Carolina coast. She is expected to be out some time.

DUDLEY W. BERNARD DEAD.

Brother of Maj. W. H. Bernard, of This City, Passes Away.

Maj. Wm. H. Bernard, of this city, yesterday received a telegram bringing to him the sad news of the death of his brother, Dudley W. Bernard, of Richmond, Va., which occurred at his home there on Monday night. Maj. Bernard had not previously heard of his illness, therefore, the news of the death was a shock to him.

Mr. Bernard is remembered by many of the older residents here, having at one time been employed by his brother, as commercial and assistant news reporter on The Morning Star. He was here on a visit a few years ago and renewed many pleasant acquaintances of the long ago. He was open-hearted, jovial and full of life, although at the time of his death, he had reached the age of 69 years. He was last employed with what is known as the Burton System, an advertising and publicity agency of Richmond. He was a son of the late Peter Dudley and Sarah Lloyd Bernard, of Virginia, and a grandson of Thos. W. White, founder and up to the time of his death, editor and publisher of the Southern Literary Messenger, of Richmond. Mr. Bernard served during the Civil War with the arms of his country, assisting bravely in the defense of Richmond.

Many Wilmington friends among the older residents will hear of his death with regret.

TO GIVE HIS OWN AID.

Philadelphia Lawyer Will Distribute Proceeds of Lectures on War.

Mr. P. J. de Kinder, a Philadelphia attorney, who is well known in Wilmington, having been here on various occasions in a professional capacity, sailed last week for Rotterdam on the Holland-American liner Ryndam, with money and clothing he has collected through lectures on the war which he is going to distribute in Europe. Mr. de Kinder is a close friend of Mr. S. P. Collier, deputy clerk of the United States Federal Court in Wilmington, and has visited him frequently.

He is a native of Holland and followed the sea for a number of years, but later abandoned it and settled in Philadelphia, where he married. On account of his maritime experience he has been particularly successful in this branch of the law. He has been in America for 40 years.

"When the historians write the history of the war," he said to a Philadelphia reporter before sailing, "the only white pages will be those on the work done by America and Americans."

Condition of Mr. Liles.

The condition of Mr. Roger S. Liles, a member of the city fire department, who is suffering from blood poisoning at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, said to be the belated effects of injuries sustained last June, when a wheel ran off one of the fire trucks, was reported early this morning as being somewhat improved. He was resting easily at the time, and while his condition is still considered very grave, his friends were inclined to be slightly more hopeful.

SUPERIOR COURT IS ADJOURNED FOR TERM

Hansley Convicted of Involuntary Manslaughter.

Negro Who Killed Joe Hewett Sentenced to One Year on Roads —Grand Jury is Still at Work—Five Year Term.

Clearing up in two days a criminal docket of proportions that ordinarily would require at least a week to dispose of, the January term of Superior Court, which convened Monday morning, adjourned yesterday afternoon shortly after 4 o'clock and Judge H. W. Whedbee, who presided to such an efficient end, left last evening for his home at Greenville, N. C. The term was originally to be of two weeks' duration, but by unanimous vote of the local bar it was decided last week not to arrange a calendar for the second week of the term, which was to have been for the trial of civil cases, in order to allow Judge Whedbee a short rest at the beginning of another strenuous year on the bench.

The grand jury did not complete its work yesterday and will continue in session, possibly for several days yet. When its work is completed it will make its report to Maj. W. N. Harriss, clerk of Superior Court, and be dismissed.

From the standpoint of public interest, the most important case of yesterday was that against Jim Hansley, colored, charged with the murder of Joe Hewett, a white man, at the home of the former near Seagate, just prior to the holidays. Hansley was convicted of involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to one year on the county roads.

The case was taken up yesterday afternoon and five of the State's witnesses were put on, William Wright and Tom Sneeden, both white, and Leslie Hansley, M. Toomer and John Wesley, colored, all of whom were present at Hansley's home on the night of the shooting.

As the facts developed, it appeared that all the men were drinking and that two of the negroes began scuffling together. Hansley, in one room, warned them to stop and told them to leave, but they did not heed him. After several warnings he took a muzzle-loading musket poked it through the door and fired across the front porch, evidently with the intention of impressing the men that he wanted them to leave. Hewett had stepped out of another room to the porch and the load of shot struck him in the neck, killing him almost instantly.

When these facts were brought out, Judge Whedbee stopped the progress of the trial and stated that the killing appeared to be a plain case of involuntary manslaughter. William J. Bellamy, Esq., counsel for Hansley, stated that he was willing to submit a plea of guilty to involuntary manslaughter, and this being satisfactory, Judge Whedbee sentenced the negro to one year on the county roads. The minimum sentence for involuntary manslaughter is four months and the maximum 20 years.

Five Year Sentence.

Boss Scarborough, colored, who was sent over to Superior Court from the Recorder's court yesterday on a charge of highway robbery, received the heaviest sentence of this term of court, drawing five years at hard labor in the State penitentiary.

Scarborough was before the Recorder yesterday morning on a charge of holding up A. Marshall, colored, at the point of a revolver and robbing him of a pistol. He took exception to one of Marshalls' statements on the stand and told him that he was a d—n liar. There were seven charges against him, including assault with a deadly weapon and larceny, but Recorder Empie sent him over to Superior Court when probable cause was found in the highway robbery case.

In the higher court Scarborough's trial lasted only a few minutes, and when the matter was settled the negro found himself sentenced to five years at hard labor in the State prison. He is thought to be the negro who recently entered several stores and took revolvers, shoes and other goods, holding the merchants up at the point of his revolver.

Lewis Barlow, colored, charged with false pretense, entered a plea of not guilty to this charge, but plead guilty to a charge of forcible trespass. It appearing that the defendant had satisfied the prosecuting witness in the matter, upon recommendation of Solicitor H. L. Lyon judgment was suspended on payment of the costs.

Lila Cowan, a white girl, charged with nuisance, tendered a plea of nolo contendere, which was accepted by the Solicitor and upon payment of the costs prayer was continued for two years upon good behavior, the case to be reinstated and caplas to issue at any time during that period on application of any officer, or the State Solicitor.

Verdict of Not Guilty.

James Hill, colored, against whom the grand jury yesterday returned a true bill for burglary, charging him with entering the home of Moses Samuel on the night of December 10, when arraigned plead not guilty. The State did not ask for a first degree verdict in the case. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty after being out only a short time.

C. L. Whitehead, charged with living illegally with Myrtle Whitehead, was tried, and a mistrial resulted, the jury not being able to agree in a verdict. Later Whitehead tendered a plea of nolo contendere and prayer was continued for two years on payment of a fine of $50 and costs and furnishing bond in the sum of $1,000 not to repeat the offense. Myrtle Whitehead could not be found, and a nol pros with leave was entered in the case against her.

Cases against George Evans, Victoria Loftin and Addie Anderson, charged with perjury, were continued, as was also a case against Frank Brown, charged with nuisance. A nol pros with leave was taken in a case against William Smith, alias Hall, alias Hamilton, colored, chrged with retailing. A nol pros with leave was entered in the case against L. Bonham and E. L. Hammond, charged with living together illegally, and also in a case against Leater Cumber, charged with carrying a concealed weapon.

The grand jury yesterday returned a true bill against Luther Rogers, charging abandonment, and against E. S. Waddell, charging false pretense.

Judge Whedbee signed an order yesterday in the civil case of Heller, Hirsch & Co., against the Carolina Coast Products Company, making Frank Herbst, receiver, a party defendant.

OPEN HARBOR OF REFUGE BIDS

Thirteen Contractors Submit Proposals for Building Mammoth Breakwater at Cape Lookout.

Thirteen contractors submitted proposals for building the mammoth breakwater at Cape Lookout for the Harbor of Refuge, the bids being opened in the office of Maj. H. W. Stickle, United States district engineer, yesterday at noon. D. L. Taylor & Co., of Medina, N. Y., were the lowest bidders on the contract, the next lowest being H. P. Converse Company, of Boston, Mass. Before the contract is awarded the proposal of the successful bidder must be approved by the Board of Engineers at Washington, D. C.

Each bidder was required to submit two proposals, one for doing as much work as possible with the amount of money now available, which is $1,260,000, and the other bid being for the entire construction of the breakwater, the estimated cost of which is $3,170,000. This was required so that in the event that Congress shall fail to make the necessary appropriation this year or in any succeeding year, a part of the work at least can be done.

For the purpose of canvassing bids it is assumed that 533,800 tons will be used in the work that will be done for $1,260,000 and that to complete the entire work it will require 1,221,700 tons of stone.

Following are the amounts bid by each contractor for doing the initial work which, it is estimated, will cost $1,260,000: D. L. Taylor & Co., Medina, N. Y., $1,073,358; H. P. Converse Co., Boston, Mass., $1,236,818; John Cashman & Sons Co., Boston, Mass., $1,421,144; Edward Gillen Dredging & Dock Co., Racine, Wis., $1,369,000; Roderick G. Ross, Jacksonville, Fla., $1,360,671; Coast & Lakes Contracting Co., New York, $1,783,635; Standard Lime & Stone Company, Baltimore, Md., $1,864,824; Uvalde Asphalt Company, New York, $1,910,800; Hardaway Construction Co., Columbus, Ga., $1,370,425; The Crawford Paving Co., and Columbia Granite & Dredging Co., Washington, D. C., $2,830,183; Coastwise Dredging Co., Norfolk, no bid; Bowers Southern Dredging Co., Galveston, Tex., $2,182,711.50.

Following are the bids for the entire contract: D. L. Taylor & Co., $2,435,400; H. P. Converse Co., $2,756,030; John Cashman & Sons Co., $3,321,000; Edward Gillen Dredging & Dock Co., $2,959,703; Roderick G. Ross, $2,988,900; Coast & Lakes Contracting Co., $3,011,875; Standard Lime & Stone Co., $3,997,500; Uvalde Asphalt Co., $4,327,450; Hardaway Construction Co., $2,793,600; The Crawford Paving Co., $6,125,400; Coastwise Dredging Co., $3,024,600; Bowers Southern Dredging Co., $2,966,226.50.

There are three grades of rock to be used in the construction of the breakwater, these varying in size. The bid of the D. L. Taylor Company was $1.98 a ton straight through, while the others were in excess of this amount.

LAD KILLED BY COMPANION

Nephew of Mrs. E. L. Hart, of Wilmington, Accidentally Shot.

Mrs. Edgar L. Hart, No. 911 Market street, was called to Louisburg Monday evening on account of the tragic death of her nephew, David McKinne, the 16-year-old son of Mr. F. B. McKinne, cashier of the First National bank at that place. He was accidentally and instantly killed Monday afternoon by Henry Ruffin, the 10-year-old son of Mr. W. H. Ruffin, president of the same bank.

The accident occurred while the two boys were out hunting about one mile from Louisburg. A rabbit jumped and the younger boy who was behind young McKinne, started forward to shoot the rabbit but stumbled and fell. This caused the rifle in his hands to be discharged, the ball from it entering the head of the older boy at the base of the brain and causing instant death.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of the parents at Louisburg.

REPORT ON BUSINESS.

Results of Investigation by Advertising Club Made Public.

Secretary Howard B. Branch, of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, has received a copy of the report of the first merchandise investigation conducted by the educational research committee of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World. This was prepared under the direction of the chairman, Mr. Mac Martin, of Minneapolis, Minn.

The scope of the investigation covered department stores, grocery stores, drug stores and hardware stores, and is aimed to give a correct diagnosis of conditions as they existed during the month of November. The report from Wilmington was made by Secretary Branch. There were 75 cities throughout the country included in the investigation of the committee.

The reports from the various Southern cities, as shown in the report, show that business conditions in the South were not as bad as they were generally portrayed at that time.

FIRST PUBLIC PERFORMANCE.

High School Orchestra to Give Concert in High School Auditorium.

The Wilmington High School orchestra will give its first public performance in the High School auditorium Friday night at 8:30 o'clock under the leadership of Miss Pauline Crumb. A number of selections will be given. Solos by Misses Crumb and Bowen will be special features of the programme. There will be a short address by Supt. John J. Blair. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The orchestra was organized soon after the opening of the fall term and with the splendid training that they have received under the direction of Miss Crumb have made fine progress. The public is assured of music that is in every way first class. There will be no charge for admission, but a collection will be taken at the close of the concert, the proceeds to be used in buying new music for the orchestra.

MEMORIAL TO HUSBAND

Mrs. Robert Strange Presents Brigade With Two Engravings.

As a memorial to her husband, the late Bishop Robert Strange, who was always deeply interested in the work of the institution, Mrs. Robert Strange has presented to the Boys' Brigade two handsome steel engravings, one of General Robert E. Lee and the other of General Stonewall Jackson.

The engravings have been hung along with the others adorning the walls of the armory, and they form a distinct addition to the art collection of the Brigade.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. F. H. Krahnke, Jr., is spending a few days with relatives at Leland.

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A subscription dance will be given at the Cape Fear Country Club on Friday evening.

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Miss Jettye Bridger of Bladenboro, is the guest of Miss Susie Brown on Third street.

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Mr. Walker Taylor, Jr., left last evening for Lawrence Preparatory School in New Jersey, after spending the holidays at home.

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Miss Mannie Parsley has returned to Fassifern school at Rutherfordton, after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. M. Parsley.

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After spending the holidays at home, Mr. Charles Bidgood has returned to Charlottesville, Va., where he has resumed his studies in the University of Virginia.

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Mr. Paul Bergen left last night for Baltimore, where he will resume his studies at Mt. St. Joseph's College, after spending the holidays with his parents.

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Messrs. Robert DeRosset, Jr., and Dugald MacMillan, who spent the holidays at home, have returned to the University of North Carolina for the spring term.

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Miss Edelweiss King has returned to Greensboro, where she is a student in the Greensboro College for Women, after spending the holidays here with her parents.

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The regular monthly meeting of Sorosis will be held in their club rooms on North Third street tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. The executive committee will meet at 3:30 o'clock.

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The annual meeting and election of officers of the Ladies' Concordia Society will be held in the rooms of Harmony Circle this afternoon at 4 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

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Misses Virginia Milton, Mary Bellamy, Bessie Darden, Mannie Emerson and Athalia Bunting have returned to Hollins, Va., Institute for the spring term, after spending the holidays at home.

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Miss Ollie Rembert has returned from a very pleasant visit to Augusta, Ga., where she was the guest of Miss Abbie Yates, who is pleasantly remembered in this city, where she formerly lived.

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Prof. M. C. S. Noble, dean of the Department of Education at the University of North Carolina, has returned to Chapel Hill, after spending the holidays in Wilmington with relatives and friends.

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Mr. John W. Perdew, a student at the University of North Carolina, returned to Chapel Hill yesterday to resume his studies after spending the holidays most pleasantly with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Perdew.

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There will be a business meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Grace Methodist church in the lecture room of the church this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The new officers will be installed and a full attendance is desired.

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Winton, N. C., Jan. 5.—One of the prettiest and most enjoyable social functions of the Christmas season here was the reception given to Miss Emily Lucille Clark on Thursday night at her home on Main street, the stately home of her grandfather, W. P. Taylor.

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Yesterday Charlotte Observer: "Miss Margaret Hill arrived home last night after spending the holidays in Wilmington as the guest of Mrs. Gabriel Holmes. Miss Hill is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hill and is one of the city's prettiest and most attractive young girls. During her stay in Wilmington she was acorded many social honors. She was a guest at the L'Ariosa german, one of the most brilliant dances of the season."

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A benefit dance to be given on the evening of January 15th in the handsome club rooms of the Germania Club has been arranged by a number of ladies, who are interested in a poor crippled little fellow of this city. He is 14 years old and has been a cripple from infancy. A surgeon of Wilmington believes that he can be relieved by an operation and has kindly offered his services free of charge. There are other expenses, however, and it is for this purpose that the benefit dance will be given. The programme will be announced later.

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ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT IS SOON TO BE GIVEN.

"Fi-Fi of the Toy Shop," which will be given at the Academy of Music at an early date by a cast of over one hundred people, all local talent, promises to be one of the most interesting attractions of the season in this city. There will be many in the cast who are amateurs in name only, as their reputation as entertainers has been established in other local productions.

Besides captivating songs by some of the best singers in the city there will be fairies, sprites, Noah's ark animals, tin soldiers, jumping jacks, rag dolls, paper dolls, China dolls, sailors and Japs. One of the most attractive features will be the bridesmaids, who will appear in Janice Meredith costumes. Their flower dance will proceed the processional of toys.

Mr. R. D. Whitman, the director, has given "Fi-Fi" in many of the principal cities of the country and everywhere he has met with great success. The attraction will be under the supervision of the ladies of Sorosis.

THEATRICAL

"What Happened to Dolly," one of the prettiest little love stories written, will be presented by the Bijou Stock Company at the Academy beginning Wednesday night. It is seldom that a play combines all the qualifications that will please all classes of people, but "What Happened to Dolly" appeals to everyone. The story is laid around a simple country girl shielding a wayward brother. The comedy is clean and true to life, the characters are all natural, the story clearly and quickly told. All in all the play is bound to please everybody and one will miss a treat if he or she fails to attend. New vaudeville will be introduced between the acts including Mr. R. G. Peyton, champion buck and wing dancer of America. Don't forget the big matinee Saturday, children will be admitted to any part of the house for 10 cents and adults to any part of the house for 20 cents.

"The Master Key" Today.

The day of all days with Wilmington amusement lovers, the "Master Key Day" has arrived again. The largest crowd that ever witnessed a photoplay in Wilmington saw the second installment last week, and as it was indeed a thriller, it may be confidently expected that today's crowds at "Wilmington's Cozy Corner," will rival everything in previous history again. The third installment is replete with thrills, in fact, the deep plot of the story is just beginning to unfold in good shape. Harry Wilkerson appears and forces old Tom Gallon to make him superintendent of the mine, and this prepares Gallon for his death which comes in this chapter. He leaves everything, including the Master Key mine, to Ruth, and appoints John Dore administrator, as well as Ruth's guardian. "Trust John always," he told her. A cut in wages by Wilkerson and the firing of John Dore, brings on a strike, and the miners are thirsty for Wilkerson's blood. A bloody battle is only prevented by the intervention of little Ruth—"The sweetheart of a million," and this is one of the real striking scenes of the play. Come early if you want a seat today.

"For I Have Toiled," is the title of a rousing dramatic feature that follows and features the peerless Murdock MacQuarrie with pretty Agnes Vernon in the leading roles. It is a full reel subject and is intensely interesting.

Two of the biggest comedies of the week will follow and bring the total up to five reels for the day. The first is another one of those L-Ko features, entitled "The Baron's Bear Escape" and is a corker. Then follows a mammoth Crystal comedy, "Vivian's Beauty Test," introducing again that great favorite of comedyland, Vivian Prescott. Verily, today will be a red letter occasion at Wilmington's favorite movie house.

"Million Dollar Mystery" Day.

Once more Wilmington amusement-lovers will have the pleasure of beholding the famous "Million Dollar Mystery," the sensational, stupendous Harold McGrath serial film, which has been holding forth with such big success at the New Grand. Today the 14th episode of this film triumph will be projected on the big screen at this handsome, up-to-the-second theatre today and it continues the thrilling story in most fascinating manner. The further advantures of the heroine role, so ably portrayed by Miss Marguerite Snow, are indeed stirring and will charm every one. In conjunction with this film will be other big photoplays, thus offering a great double show, and all for the same old tiny price of admission—5 cents, afternoon and night. The Vitagraph's powerful dramatic, "The Man That Might Have Been," an intense psychological study, will be offered, and a star cast will be seen, including William Humphrey and Leah Baird. It is a masterpiece in the way of a dramatic and every one who loves what is best in the film line. Following this great photoplay will be offered the very latest Hearst-Selig Pictorial Review, which will flash the freshest current events, including numerous war scenes, thus affording valuable information, as well as big entertainment.

Remember that Friday marks the start of the greatest of all film serials, "Zudora", and indications are that you will have to be on early in order to get a seat.

GREENFIELD MILLING CO.

Young Lady Given Bushel of Meal for Suggesting Name.

Miss Veritas M. Sanders, No. 411 North Third street, was the successful one in the recent contest conducted by Mr. W. O. Page for selecting a name for the grist mill which he will operate at Greenfield. He wishes to thank the many ladies who responded to his request for names. All of the names suggested were turned over to three judges Monday morning and they decided that Miss Sanders' proposed name, the Greenfield Milling Company, was the most appropriate and she was awarded the bushel of meal, the first to be ground at the mill.

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MR. C. DUSHAN TO RETIRE

Will Be Succeeded as Manager of Boys' Brigade by Mr. Hiram K .King, Effective in April.

That Mr. Charles Dushan is to retire as manager of the Boys' Brigade, Wilmington's well known organization of young men, in which capacity he has served for the past five years, will be learned with the deepest regret by his many friends in the city. He is to be succeeded by Mr. Hiram K. King, a well known young man, who has played an important part in the organization for the last several years.

Mr. Dushan, previous to his connection with the Boys' Brigade, was for 13 years engaged in Y. M. C. A. work and served for some time as secretary of of the Wilmington Y. M. C. A. After giving up this work he purchased a farm and decided to retire to the country. However, the call to return to work with young men soon brought him back to Wilmington. He has been signally successful in building up the Brigade and now feels that he can entrust it to younger hands, to one of the boys he has trained and inspired to achieve things worth while.

Whatever Mr. Dushan shall decide to do, his friends will still be interested in knowing that he does not contemplate giving up his work for young men, in which he has been signally successful. He will still continue as manager of the Boys' Brigade for several months yet.

The following correspondence relative to the forthcoming changes at the Brigade is self-explanatory, and will be of interest in connection with the announcement:

January 4, 1915.

"Mr. Chas. Dushan, Manager, Boys' Brigade, Wilmington, N. C.

"Mr. Dear Mr. Dushan:—Referring to our conversation of a few days ago, I desire to confirm the same, as follows: It has been my ambition, for a number of years, to put a member of the Brigade in charge of the work, whenever one of its own members was developed sufficiently to handle the same. We have a member of the institution who has been identified with it for very many years and who, in my judgment, is capable of assuming the responsibility of successfully managing the institution. This, therefore, puts us in position to carry out our long cherished desire and ambition, and I ask that you make arrangements to retire from the work in the near future. It will be a privilege and a pleasure to extend to you all reasonable time and consideration. As your fiscal year with this work ends April 15th, I suggest that as being a suitable date for you to retire.

"In this connection, permit me to express to you my highest appreciation of the very efficient and satisfactory manner in which you have handled your work, and were it not for the facts as stated above, it would be my pleasure to have you continue with the institution. Please allow me the privilege of assisting you, in any way, in any of your future undertakings. Command me whenever I can be of service.

"With renewed expressions of interest and highest personal regards, I am,

"Very faithfully yours,

"WALKER TAYLOR."

"January 5th, 1915.

"Capt. Walker Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.

"Dear Sir:—Your communication of the 4th inst. at hand and contents noted.

"In accordance with your desire expressed therein to promote one of the members of the Boys' Brigade to the position of manager thereof, I hereby tender my resignation, same to become effective April 15, 1915, which is the date of the completion of my fifth year of service with you.

"May I state that I fully appreciate the sentiment which actuates you in making this change and that I wish, for my successor, the highest measure of success.

"In severing my relations with the institution I do so with the most pleasant memories of my association with you as my superior in charge of this work and with the members of the Brigade, all of whom, I feel, I can number among my friends.

"Of all the years of my service in work of this character I count the past five years to have been the most pleasant and most deeply satisfactory.

"During the many years of the existence of this institution, many very important achievements have been accomplished. I can wish for you and for the work nothing better than a continuance of those successful achievements in your efforts for the uplift of those for whom you have given so much valuable time out of a busy life; a life, however, which has never been too busy to hear the Master's words: 'Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me.'

Assuring you of my continued interest in this work and of my desire to be of any possible assistance in the future, I am,

"Sincerely yours,

"CHAS. DUSHAN."

While Mr. Dushan has not yet fully decided upon his future plans, it is known that for several years he has been urged to re-enter the ranks of the Young Men's Christian Association, having declined invitations from Richmond, Va., Savannah, Ga., and other of the larger associations, and while no definite statement to this effect has been made it is more than probable that he will now seriously consider such a step.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The weekly meeting of City Council will be held this morning at 10 o'clock. So far as was known at the City Hall yesterday no matters of extra importance are scheduled to come up.

—Mr. G. T. Flynn, a local dealer in cross-ties, was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging him with fraud. He gave bond for his appearance before Justice Harriss today at noon. His arrest, Mr. Flynn states, is due to a misunderstanding and he declares that he will be able to straighten the matter out today.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. W. H. Ragland, of Salisbury, was a guest at the Wilmington last night.

—Mr. John H. Waddell and Mr. C. T. Meacham, of Newbern, were registered at the Wilmington yesterday.

—Among the arrivals at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday were Messrs. S. S. Auburn, Jacksonville, N. C.; B. S. Koonce, Chadbourn; R. W. Fowler, Kinston, and E. M. Nance, Fair Bluff.

Directors Have No Meeting.

Out of respect to Mr. J. Laurence Sprunt, a member of the board, there was no meeting of the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A. last night, the Board adjourning immediately after the hour for meeting.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK COTTON NERVOUS

Market Displayed Reactionary Tendency Most of Day But Rallied and Closed at Advance.

New York, Jan. 5.—The cotton market wa snervous and irregular today. Reactionary sentiment seemed general during the early session and there was rather a sharp break in prices, but the market rallied in the later trading, making new high ground for the movement and closing steady at a net advance of 3 to 8 points.

The opening was steady at a decline of two points to an advance of five points.

Liverpool was a shade under expectations and the market here soon weakened under general realizing and Southern selling. Part of the latter was attributed to New Orleans houses who here supposed to be selling here and buying in the Southern market at a premium of about 26 points on the local May contract. This undoubtedly inspired some local selling for a reaction, while there was heavy selling by Wall Street and Western longs under which the market gradually worked off to a net loss of some 9 to 12 points.

Offerings became much lighter and there was a renewal of investment buying in the late trading which sent prices 9 to 15 points higher with many of the early sellers covering on the advance which came very suddenly and at a time when there was much talk of a further reaction. Closing prices were a shade off from the best under realizing. It is reported that representatives of Russian spinners in the local market have purchased fully 50,000 bales of spot cotton for shipment within the next two months.

Spot cotton steady; middling uplands 8.05, Gulf 8.30. Sales 400.

Cotton futures closed steady.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.		7.94	8.02	7.86	8.03
March		8.10	8.27	8.03	8.20
May		8.31	8.43	8.19	8.36
July		8.48	8.62	8.37	8.55
October		8.72	8.82	8.62	8.76

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 14,705; sales, 2,000; stock, 245,128.

Galveston—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 37,928; sales, 4,406; stock, 509,576.

Mobile—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 1,203; sales, 325; stock, 54,483.

Savannah—Middling, 7⅝; receipts, 9,424; exports, 12,650; sales, 3,347; stock, 313,204.

Charleston—Middling, 7½; receipts, 1,748; sales, 300; stock, 132,895.

Wilmington—Middling, 7½; receipts, 376; stock, 46,001.

Texas City—Receipts, 5,505.

Norfolk—Middling, 7⅝; receipts, 3,089; sales, 2,420; stock, 62,138.

Baltimore—Middling, 7¾; exports, 4,050; stock, 4,348.

Boston—Middling, 8.05; receipts, 68; exports, 743; stock, 7,100.

Philadelphia — Middling, 8.30; exports, 1,000; stock, 2,362.

New York—Middling, 8.05; sales, 400; stock, 78,562.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 366; exports, 6,750; stock, 89,334.

Total today—Receipts, 74,412; exports, 25,193; stock, 1,646,551.

Total for week—Receipts, 166,923; exports, 123,726.

Total for season—Receipts, 4,871,576; exports, 2,621,472.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 25,345; shipments, 23,783; sales, 5,315; stock, 185,765.

Memphis—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 3,029; shipments, 2,753; sales, 4,000; stock, 264,210.

Augusta—Middling, 7¾@7⅞; receipts, 1,542; shipments, 1,804; sales, 3,661.

St. Louis—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 4,124; stock, 33,842.

Cincinnati — Receipts, 1,705; shipments, 586; stock, 7,186.

Little Rock—Middling, 7 3-16; receipts, 1,645; shipments, 759; stock, 56,408.

Dallas—Middling, 7 5-16; sales, 16,496.

Total today—Receipts, 37,390; shipments, 33,809; stock, 702,991.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, January 5. — Spot cotton, good business; prices steady; American middling fair, 5.67; good middling, 5.04; middling, 4.74; low middling, 4.31; good ordinary, 3.69; ordinary, 3.24.

Sales, 10,000 bales, including 8,600 American and 1,000 for speculation and export. Receipts, 60,000 bales, including 56,300 American.

Futures closed quiet. May-June, 4.50; July-August, 4.56; October-November, 4.67; January-February, 4.72.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, January 5.—The cotton seed oil market was strong and active today. In addition to a continued good consumptive demand there was heavy speculative buying in the late afternoon, due to the strength of lard, cotton and crude oil. Last prices showed 11 to 17 points net rise. Sales, 14,900 barrels.

The market closed strong. Spot, 6.01@6.10; January, 6.04@6.07; February, 6.16@6.20; March, 6.32@6.34; April, 6.42@6.49; May, 6.55@6.56; June, 6.69@6.73; July, 6.77@6.78; August, 6.89@6.93.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, January 5.—Mercantile paper, 4@4¼; sterling exchange, steady; sixty day bills, 4.8225; for cables, 4.8525; for demand, 4.8475. Bar silver, 48¾. Mexican dollars, 37. Government bonds, strong. Railroad bonds, firm. Time loans, dull; sixty and ninety days, 3½@3¾; six months, 3¾@4. Call money, steady, 2¾.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, January 5. — Cotton goods markets were steady, but more quiet, on staple lines today. Blankets continued active. Overcoatings were being bought for Fall by some manufacturing clothiers. Silks were in better demand.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, January 5.—Sugar—Raw, firm. Molasses sugar, 3.39; centrifugal, .04.

Butter—Steady, unchanged.

Cheese—Steady, unchanged.

Coffee—Spot, steady; Rio, No. 7, 7½; Santos, No. 4, 9¾.

WHEAT HIGHEST IN YEARS

Price Mounted to Height Not Reached at This Time of Year Since the Franco-Prussian War.

Chicago, January 5.—Prices for cash wheat today mounted to a level which it is said had not been equalled at this time of the year since the Franco-Prussian war in 1870.

Domestic millers were chief buyers here. Exporters were said to have continued to buy large amounts at the seaboard. Meanwhile, speculative values here swept higher and although unsettled at the finish were 1¾ to 2⅝@2¾ above last night.

Corn closed unchanged to 1-16c. higher; oats, up ⅛@¼ to ⅝, and provisions dearer by 7½@10 to 55c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May, 1.37⅛; July, 1.23¾.

Corn—May, 75¾; July, 76⅝.

Oats—May, 55⅝; July, 53¼.

Pork—January, 19.15; May, 19.60.

Lard—January, 10.75; May, 11.05.

Ribs—January, 10.25; May, 10.65.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.32½@1.36¼; No. 2, hard, 1.32½@1.35¼.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, 70¼.

Oats—Standard, 52@52¾.

Rye—No. 2, 1.13½.

MARINE.

Cleared.

Str. City of Savannah (Amer.), 4,379 tons, Nelsen, Rotterdam, D. H. Lippett.

Str. Osborn (Danish), 1,333 tons, Jorgensen, Odense, Denmark, Henry Whyte, agent.

Exports—Foreign.

Rotterdam—Str. City of Savannah (Amer.), 9,529 bales of cotton, valued approximately at $400,000; vessel and cargo by D. H. Lippett.

Odense, Denmark—Str. Osborn (Danish), 3,000 tons of oil cake, valued at $60,000; vessel and cargo by Henry Whyte, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Kylemhor (Br.), 1,932 tons, McIntosh, Henry Whyte.

Str. Newstead (Br.), 1,827 tons, Willett, Henry Whyte.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 2,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger) 2,872 tons, Hinke, at Southport, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Schr. Thomas Windsmore, 387 tons, Higsby, at Southport; C. D. Maffitt & Co. (In distress).

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 5.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Steady, 42¼.

ROSIN — Steady. Large, $3.05; small, $2.95.

TAR — Firm, $1.50 per barrel; per gallon, 8c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.00 per barrel for soft; $3.00 per barrel for virgin; $2.00 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year — Spirits turpentine, steady, 43¼; rosin, firm, $3.50; tar, firm, $2.50-10; crude turpentine, $3.00; $3.00; $2.00.

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	31
Tar	167
Crude Turpentine	38

Receipts same day last year, spirits turpentine, 4 casks; rosin, 12 barrels; tar, 6 barrels; crude turpentine, 4 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market — Spot, middling, steady, at 7½c.; last year, nominal.

Receipts, 515 bales; same day last year, 1,112 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, 90,861 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 314,332 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 5.

Atlantic Coast Line — 200 bales cotton; 6 barrels rosin; 102 barrels tar; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—302 bales cotton; 40 barrels tar.

Atlantic City—13 bales cotton.

Schr. Lathrop—25 barrels rosin; 25 barrels tar; 34 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—515 bales cotton; 31 barrels rosin; 167 barrels tar; 38 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 30.)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 80@90c. per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good sales.

PORK—Small, 10@12 cents.

SHEEP—No sale. Lambs, $1.50 to $2.50 per head; very dull; no sale.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; dull.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, 23c.; sides and shoulders, 16c. lb.; very dull.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 15@16 2-3 cents per lb.; very dull.

EGGS—28@29c. per doz.; very dull.

FOODSTUFFS AND FEEDS.

(Wholesale Price Quotations of Tuesday by Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

Flour—Fancy Patent, $6.25 to $6.50 (car lots).

Corn—Domestic, $1.00; Imported, 95c.

Meal—96 lb. bag, $1.95 to $2.00.

Oats—Mixed, 60c; white, 65c. bu.

Hay—No. 1, Timothy, $24.00; No. 1, Mixed, $23.00 ton.

Middlings—$32.00 per ton.

D. S. Sides—From 12¼ to 12¾.

Plates—From 11c. to 11½c.

Lard — From 7¾ to 8c., according to quality.

Coffee—From 9 to 12c.

Rice—Broken, 3¾c. to 4c.; Japan, 4¾c to 5c. Fancy Hear, 5 1-4c. to 6c.

Sugar — Granulated — Basis 5½c; lower grades, usual differences.

Molasses — Black strap, 15c; mixed, 28c; Fancy Porto Rico, 40c.

STOCKS MORE FAVORABLE

Two Conflicting Elements Give Boost to Prices—Close Below Best Prices But Steady.

New York, Jan. 5.—Two conflicting elements, covering of short contracts and European selling, were the primary features of today's comparatively active and strong market. Further settlements by the bears soon disclosed a scarcity of stocks and the foreign offerings, chiefly of United States Steel were barely large enough to affect that issue or any other leaders, most of which closed under their best prices, but with a firm undertone.

In addition to the active group, numerous specialties, including American Can common and preferred, American Cotton Oil, International Harvester, American Woolen and Pullman Car rose from 2 to 4 points.

The movement was not all the one way, however, several high priced as well as low priced shares sinking to new minimum prices. Among these were Louisville & Nashville, Atlantic Coast Line, National Railways of Mexico, first preferred; Western Maryland, preferred, and Rumely, preferred. The fall in some of these stocks ranged from 6 to 15 points under previous quotations.

New financing by the St. Paul road again came under discussion, but no details concerning the reported bond issue were available. It was understood that several industrial companies also had almost completed negotiations for the sale of bonds r notes.

Business in London exchange was dull but reflected a degree of stability. The Imperial Bank of Germany reported a gold increase of $4,250,000. A broader inquiry was seen in the bond division with a higher level of prices. Total sales, par value, were $1,956,000. United States government bonds were stronger on call, registered 4s advancing 1-4 and Panama coupon and registered 3s 1-2 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	53⅛
American Agricultural	48
American Can	26½
American Car and Foundry	45
American Cities, pfd	59⅛
American Cotton Oil	42
American Smelting	59
American Snuff	155
American Sugar	103¾
American Tel and Tel	117
American Tobacco	221
Atchison	94
Atlantic Coast Line	99
Baltimore and Ohio	69
Canadian Pacific	157
Central Leather	38⅞
Chesapeake and Ohio	41½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	88½
Erie	22⅛
General Electric	140¾
Great Northern, pfd	114½
Illinois Central	107
Interborough-Met., pfd	52½
Kansas City Southern	21⅝
Lehigh Valley	132⅜
Louisville and Nashville	113½
Liggett and Myers	B.217
Lorillard Co	B.160
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	8¾
Missouri Pacific	8⅜
Mex. Petroleum	53½
New York Central	87½
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	55⅞
Norfolk and Western	101
Northern Pacific	101⅛
Pennsylvania	106¼
Reading	145½
Rep. Iron and Steel	19
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	75
Rock Island Co	¾
Rock Island Co., pfd	1⅞
St. L. and San Fran., 2nd pfd	2¾
Seaboard Air Line	12½
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	38
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	B. 22
Southern Pacific	83⅝
Southern Railway	14⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	58
Tennessee Copper	32½
Texas Co	133
Texas and Pacific	11
Union Pacific	117⅝
Unitetd States Steel	50¾
United States Steel, pfd	105½
Utah Copper	49¼
Virginia-Caro. Chem	B. 15¼
Western Union	59

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 30.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market, steady; new crop, fancy hand picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c. per bu.

Virginia Peanuts — Weaker. New crop Jumboes, 65c.; fancy, hand picked, 60c.; No. 1, machine picked, 50c. per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c.; Jumboes, 65c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., January 4.—Spanish: Farmers' Stock, market steady, 85c. per bu.

Virginias: Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 3½c. per lb.; Fancy Handpicked, 3¼c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3c. to 3¼c. per lb.; Shelling stock, 2¼c. to 2¾c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Prices Stood at Decline Most of Day But Rallied Just Before Close.

New Orleans, Jan. 5.—While cotton stood at the decline during the greater part of today's session because of realizing by the longs and was not nearly as firm as it was yesterday, it developed strength in the last half hour of business and closed at a net gain for the day of 4 to 5 points. Last prices were within a point or two of the best.

The buying toward the close apparently resulted from advices sent by many brokers to their customers to take advantage of recessions to put out fresh long lines. The demand that followed was more than the ring could meet.

The gossip of the day was mixed in tone. Many brokers said the market was overbought and due for a material reaction but others contended that the spot demand was too good and the outlook for a large export movement too favorable to allow anything but temporary and unimportant setbacks.

Spot cotton steady. Sales on the spot 700, to arrive 1,300.

Cotton futures closing: January 7.63; March 7.88; May 8.07; July 8.29; October 8.55.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

January 6, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 33 degrees; at 3 P. M., 53 degrees; maximum, 59 degrees; minimum, 32 degrees; mean, 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month to date, .00 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 7.6 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Local rains Wednesday and probably Thursday.

The Port Calendar, Jan. 6, 1915.

Sun rises	7:19 A. M.
Sun sets	5:18 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 59 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	12:56	1:24	8:06	8:50
Southport	11:04	11:33	5:08	5:41
Masonboro Inl	10:53	10:22	4:48	5:21

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

January 5, 1914.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	cldy	60	48	.0
Asheville	rain	48	30	.08
Atlanta	rain	42	36	.08
Augusta	rain	44	34	.0
Birmingh	cldy	50	38	.0
Boston	clear	42	24	.0
Charleston	rain	52	44	.24
Charlestton	rain	52	44	.24
Charlotte	rain	46	30	.04
Chicago	cldy	38	24	.0
Galveston	cldy	58	52	.0
Memphis	rain	60	34	.0
Mobile	rain	60	44	.02
Montgom'y	cldy	52	40	.01
New Orl	foggy	64	48	.0
New York	clear	42	26	.0
Oklahoma	clear	50	44	.02
Palestine	cldy	60	48	.0
Pittsburg	clear	50	28	.0
Raleigh	cldy	52	28	.0
Savannah	clear	50	46	.20
Shreveport	clear	60	42	.0
St. Louis	cldy	42	26	.0
Washing'n	clear	44	18	.0

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, January 5.—Turpentine, firm, 43; sales, 80; receipts, 121; shipments, 303; stocks, 35,580.

Rosin — Firm. Sales, 260; receipts, 989; shipments, 994; stocks, 144,586. Quote: A, B, 3.15 to 3.25; D, 3.17½; E, 3.20; F, 3.25; G, 3.30; H, 3.32½; I, 3.50; K, 3.85; M, 4.25; N, 5.35; W G, 5.70; W W, 5.80.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Hogs—A shade lower. Bulk, 7.10@7.25; light, 6.85@7.27½; mixed, 6.90@7.30; heavy, 6.90@7.32; rough, 6.90@7.05; pigs, 5.25@7.10.

Cattle—Lower. Native steers, 5.50@9.70; western, 4.90@7.60; cows and heifers, 2.90@8.00.

Sheep — Firm. Sheep, 5.90@6.75; yearlings, 6.90@7.85; lambs, 6.75@8.75.

COLORED BANK AT NEWBERN IS CLOSED BY THE SHERIFF

"Last Straw" Was Execution for Bill Due Whiskey House.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Newbern, N. C., Jan. 5.—Acting upon legal instruction, Sheriff Richard B. Lane this afternoon closed the doors of the Mutual Aid Banking Co., of this city, and telegraphed the Corporation Commission to send an examiner to look into the affairs of the institution. During the past few months several judgments have been secured against this bank by different concerns scattered over the country. Execution of a judgment for $158 due to the D. L. Arey Distilling Co., of Baltimore, Md., was the direct cause of the closing of the bank.

Tonight the directors of the institution held a meeting to decide what action they would take in the matter. In an interview given out, J. H. Fisher, colored, cashier, stated that he could not say just what would be done, that there was some talk of liquidation but that he was not sure that this would be done. The cashier stated that the bank had not been able to pay the judgments against it up to the present time, and that to this was due the action taken today by the sheriff. The result of the meeting of the officers of the bank was not made public.

The examiner, who has been sent for, will probably arrive in the city tomorrow and will at once begin his investigation. The institution has a large number of depositors, chiefly among the colored people, but it is not thought that their money is endangered. However, this is a matter of speculation and nothing definite will be known until after the examiner has made his report.

Information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club cheerfully given by an officer of this bank. American National Bank.—Advertisement. tf

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EFECTIVE JANUARY 3rd, 1915.
Trains Leave Wilmington Daily as Follows:

No. 13—4:30 P. M.—For Local stations—Lumberton, Maxton, Laurinburg, Charlotte and Intermediate Points, connecting at Hamlet for Richmond, Washington, New York, Atlanta, Jacksonville, and All Points North and South.

Through Pullman Parlor Car Service Between Wilmington and Charlotte.

No. 19—5:00 A. M.—Local train for Charlotte. Sleeper open at 10:00 P. M. For detail information and reservations, call on City Ticket Office, Orton Hotel, Wilmington, N. C. 'Phone 178.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY of New Hanover:

By virtue and in pursuance of the power of sale in a certain mortgage made by Charles R. Mason and wife, M. F. Mason, to the Atlantic Trust & Banking Company, dated the 26th day of August, 1912, and duly recorded in Book 69, at page 268, Public Records of this County. Default having been made in the payment of the obligation secured by said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at Public Auction at noon, on the 10th day of January, 1915, at the Court House door of this county, the following described piece or parcel of land lying and being in the State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, and Harnett Township, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake at low water mark on Middle Sound, a little north of the mouth of the first Branch South of Page's creek, the corner of a tract of land now or formerly owned by Charles Waters, and running thence with said Waters' line north forty (40) degrees west one hundred and twenty-one (121) poles and two (2) links to the line (corner) of a tract of land formerly owned by W. F. Alexander, being the corner of the lands formerly owned by said Waters and B. B. Humphrey, and the said lands herein conveyed; thence with said Humphrey's line North thirty-five (35) degrees east, ninety-two (92) poles, to a stake at the mouth of Red Mill Branch; thence from this stake along Page's Creek at low water mark to Middle Sound, and thence along low water mark of said Sound to a point of beginning, containing sixty-seven (67) acres, more or less.

Dated and posted this 10th day of December, 1914.

ATLANTIC TRUST & BANKING CO., Mortgagee.

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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY
The Progressive Railway of the South
Bulletin of Special Round Trip Rates in Effect from Wilmington:

HAVANA, CUBA $47.05
On sale January 7th, limited returning Midnight, January 25th. Includes Meals and berth on Steamer.

MIAMI, FLA $26.95
On sale January 9 to 15th, limited returning, Midnight, January 20th.

MOBILE, ALA $23.35
On sale February 9 to 15th, limited returning, Midnight, February 26th. Extension of ticket until March 15th may be secured on payment of $1.00.

PENSACOLA, FLA $23.35
On sale February 9 to 15th, limited returning, Midnight, February 26th. Extension of ticket until March 15th may be secured on payment of $1.00.

NEW ORLEANS, LA $26.75
On sale February 9 to 15th, limited returning, Midnight, February 26th. Extension of ticket until March 15th may be secured on payment of $1.00.

TAMPA, FLA $22.30
On sale February 11 to 15th, limited returning, Midnight, February 26th. Extension of ticket until March 15th may be secured on payment of $1.00.

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New York to Wilmington.
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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 12, 1914.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

EASTBOUND: Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave for for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
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6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	a8:01 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
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10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	2:01 P. M.	1:50 P. M.	c1:45 P. M.
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9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
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11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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b—Sundays Only.
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(Daily, except Sundays.)

Leave Ninth and Orange streets, 3:30 P. M.
Freight Depot open from 2:30 to 3:30 P. M.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Nov. 22, 1914. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 50. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 5:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 80. *12:45 A.M.
No. 64. ‡ 5:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 66. ‡ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. * 7:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 5:00 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 58. * 3:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:50 P.M.
No. 59. ‡ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. ‡10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Breiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

* Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday. ‡ Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

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Lv. Durham	7:00a.m.	5:30p.m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:30a.m
Ar. Columbus	6:45a.m.	7:00p.m
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MAGNA CHARTA OF AMERICAN SHIPPING

"Proclaiming Freedom From the Feudal Barons"

OF MARITIME COMMERCE

Characterization Alexander of House Marine Committee Applies to Ship Purchase Bill, in Speech Before Boston Chamber.

Boston, Jan. 5.—"The Magna Charta of American shipping, proclaiming freedom from the feudal barons of maritime commerce," was the characterization which Representative Alexander, chairman of the House marine committee, applied to the administration ship purchase bill in a speech here tonight before the Boston chamber of commerce.

After a long explanation of the terms of the pending bill to authorize the government to create an American merchant marine by purchase, and an exhaustive review of the merchant marine situation during which he submitted at length statistics and statements on ocean freight rates and practically every phase of the subject, Mr. Alexander launched into an analysis of what he contended was the opposition to the measure.

"To sum up the entire situation," he said, "an investigation will prove that over 90 per cent of the coastwise and practically the entire foreign American shipping is allied through interlocking directorates with the National City Bank, United States Trust Company, National Bank of Commerce and Guaranty Trust Company, all of which have for their fountain head the Rockefeller-Morgan-Perkins interests.

"It is against this aggregation that the administration, representing the American people, finds itself. The shipping interests realize that the entrance of the government into the field will break the chain by which they have the independents shut out. Government-owned vessels are what they most fear, for it means a break-water—a bunker—a protection for the independent who now dares, at his peril, to invest a dollar in shipping against the powerful organization but who would be willing to invest if fair play was allowed. It is said the same interests own, or are interested in, several of the big Eastern newspapers. The vision of these papers is colored and others are affected by revenues of steamship advertising. Therefore, you find a stalwart opposition by the Eastern newspapers to the Government policy.

"The new navigation law is good, but of what benefit is it when the small investor meets the death throttle of under-bidding competition such as a Congressional investigation proves is in vogue? The Alexander bill is spoken of as an 'emergency measure.' It should not be so called. European governments have in the past laid the foundation for their merchant marine by government protection. The bill for the government ownership of vessels which will bring relief to the American people should be properly called the Magna Charta of American shipping, proclaiming freedom from the feudal barons of maritime commerce.

"The cry of paternalism has been raised, the criticism of government ownership has been advanced, and several of the large news and financial papers of the Eastern cities appear daily with editorials denouncing the administration's policy. These papers, being the recipients of large incomes from advertising contracts with the steamship companies, are naturally opposed to a plan inimicable to the interests of their customers. This fact may affect their vision. The greatest opposing power, however, to the policy of the government is the steamship companies themselves.

Who Control Shipping.

"An investigation of the shipping question and the interests that are involved reveals some very interesting facts. In the report of the proceedings of the committees on the Merchant Marine in the investigation of shipping combinations, the methods of the shipping interests are fully set forth. It is shown that a regular system of agreements and pools prevail, against which the independent shipper has no chance to live. The committee, in its recommendations, states: 'The committee believes that the disadvantages and abuses connected with steamship agreements and conferences as now conducted are inherent, and can only be eliminated by effective government control; and it is such control that the committee recommends as the means of preserving to American exporters and importers the advantages enumerated, and of preventing the abuses complained of.'

"In the investigation by the committee it developed that certain ships were regularly used solely for the purpose of killing competition. The shipping interests look with concern upon the entrance of the government into the field, therefore, they oppose the government's policy of purchasing ships. It is believed that it is not so much government competition that is feared, for it is generally acknowledged that there is sufficient business, but they fear that the entrance of the government-owned ships will mean government regulation of rates and seriously interfere with the existing control of the conference lines over the foreign commerce of the United States.

"The question arises as to who composes the American shipping interests. An examination of the personnel of those interested in the various steamship lines reveals a system of interlocking directorates and a community of interest probably unparalleled in the history of modern financeering. By consulting Moody's Manual of Railways and Corporations and the volume entitled the Directory of Directors, one can readily appreciate that the administration, in its desire to benefit the people, has 'stepped on the toes' of the most powerful financial interest in the country.

"The same interests are associated both in the foreign and coastwise shipping. The most prominent foreign shipping corporations, controlled by American interests, are owned by the International Mercantile Marine, a New Jersey corporation. This company owns the capital stock of the Oceanic Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., known as the White Star Line, which flies the British flag; the International Navigation Company, which owns the American Line (American flag), and the Red Star Line (Belgian flag); and the Dominion Line. The parent corporation also owns the controlling interest in the Leyland Line. The Atlantic Transport controls the National Steamship Company, Ltd. The number of steamers owned by these corporations on July 1, 1913, including those under construction, was 137 with gross tonnage of 1,280,410 tons, exclusive of tugs, lighters, etc. A large majority of their ships are under foreign flags. Moody's Manual states that the majority of the stock of the International Mercantile Marine is deposited under a voting trust agreement. The voting trustees are J. P. Morgan and Charles Steele, both members of the Morgan firm; J. Bruce Ismay, P. A. B. Widener, and Lord Pirrie. Among the directors are J. P. Morgan, Charles Steele, Geo. W. Perkins and E. J. Berwind.

"The fleets of the United States Steel Corporation, Standard Oil Company, and the United Fruit Company, were registered under the American flag. While the Standard Oil and United Fruit Company have considerable fleets of ocean going vessels, the United States Steel Corporation has only a limited number of ocean going ships, this fleet being composed principally of lake steamers. An examination of the personnel of the directors of these companies shows that J. P. Morgan, George W. Perkins and Elbert H. Gary are on the executive committee of the United States Steel Corporation and that William Rockefeller largely interested in Standard Oil, serves on the board of directors of the National City Bank with Mr. J. P. Morgan and Frank A. Vanderlip and others who it will be later shown are largely interested in coastwise shipping. The United Fruit Company is largely composed of Boston interests though it is said the Standard Oil Company interests are large investors.

Coastwise Shipping.

"Investigation of the coastwise shipping interests develops a situation equally interesting. Nine-tenths of the Atlantic coast shipping is owned by the railroads and two corporations. The report of the House committee on Merchant Marine says: 'The steamers of the railroad-controlled lines combined with those of the Eastern steamship Corporation and the Atlantic, Gulf & East Indies Steamship lines number 199, or 84.7 per cent of the above mentioned total for the 28 lines, and represent 516,055 gross tons, or 93.9 per cent of the total gross tonnage. Not only do the railroad and the two shipping consolidations dominate over nine-tenths of the tonnage, but it is significant that very few of the principal routes on our entire Atlantic and Gulf coasts are served by more than one regular steamship line.'

"The railroad-controlled lines referred to in the report of the committee are the Southern Pacific, or Morgan Line, the Old Dominion Steamship Company, or Savannah Line. These with the Eastern Steamship Company and the Atlantic, Gulf & West Indian Steamship lines constitute practically the entire coastwise shipping for the Atlantic seaboard. It is a remarkable fact that the interests allied in the ownership and control of all of these coastwise lines are also associated in the foreign American shipping. Taking the companies in the order above named we find that in the Southern Pacific Henry W. DeForrest, a prominent director, served on the board of the National Bank of Commerce with Henry P. Davidson, with J. P. Morgan & Company, with Frank A. Vanderlip and William Rockefeller of the National City Bank. L. F. Lores, another director, is on the board of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad and part owner of the Old Dominion Line. Ogden Mills, another director, is associated with the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and he, with Cornelius Bliss, another director, are on the board of the United States Trust Company of New York, on which board the same interests are found dominant.

"The Old Dominion Steamship Company is controlled by the Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line, Southern, Chesapeake & Ohio, and Norfolk & Western railroads. The same interests appear here. Frank A. Vanderlip, of the National City Bank, appears on the boards of two of the railroads. Charles Steel, member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Company; Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation; Victor Morowitz, a prominent member of the board of the National Bank of Commerce, and others of the same interests are found on the boards of these railroads. The Merchants & Miners Transportation Company was, until recently, owned by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, which from recent investigation by the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Department of Justice, it was disclosed that this was controlled by J. P. Morgan & Company. The government required the railroad to sell the Merchants and Miners interests. The new owners, however, belong to the same aggregation. The chairman of the board of directors of the Merchants & Miners is on the board of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, of which J. P. Morgan & Company are the fiscal agents, and others have similar affiliations. The Ocean Steamship Company, (the Savannah Line), is owned by the Central of Georgia Railroad. On its board are found gentlemen who are interested in New York banking houses with the Morgans and Rockefellers.

"The Eastern Steamship Company is a holding company which controls and operates eleven different steamship lines of the New England coast and controls practically the entire trade of that region. According to Moody's Manual, on June 30, 1913, the New England Navigation Company owns two and a half million dollars in the stock of this company. J. P. Morgan is a director of the New England Navigation Company. The Eastern Steamship Company, it is understood, to be financed and largely controlled by Hayden, Stone & Company, of Boston and New York. G. L. Stone and J. W. Hayden of that firm are on its board of directors. The same firm is understood to control the Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies Steamship Line, of which company G. L. Stone is vice president and H. R. Mallory, a member of the board of directors of the Eastern Steamship Company, is president. This company owns the majority of the stock of the Clyde Line, the New York & Cuba Line, Mallory Line, and the entire stock of the New York & Porto Rico Line and the Texas City Steamship Company. Edward J. Berwind, one of the directors of the Atlantic, Gulf & West Indian Steamship Lines, the holding company for the various subsidiary lines, is also a director of the Guaranty Trust Company, and on the board of directors of the National Bank of Commerce with Vanderlip and others. Berwind is also the head of a big coal company in New York City, whose business is that of furnishing coal to the various steamship lines."

Declaring the position of the United States as a nation was anomolous, with its $4,250,000,000 of foreign commerce, to carry 92 per cent of which "we are dependent upon the ships of other nations," and with a practical limitation to the shipping of Great Britain while five of the great maritime nations of Europe are at war, "our right as a neutral nation to trade with the belligerents," he said, "is fully recognized by international law and our duties closely defined. I would not relinquish any right as a neutral nation or fail to perfrom every duty imposed on us as such."

Great Britain and France have agreed with the United States that cotton shall not be regarded as contraband and the United States is free to ship cotton to any of the belligerents and the proposed ship purchase legislation, according to Mr. Alexander, is to remove the lack of ships and exorbitant freight, "now the obstacles in our way."

For information regarding our 1915 Christmas Savings Club, 'Phone 110. American National Bank. tf
(Advertisement.)

N. C. N. G. ASSOCIATION MEETING IS POSTPONED

Will be Held in Goldsboro January 26th and 27th.

Dixie Wall Forfeits Commutation —State Bank Statements Called For—Columbus and Bladen Fires Investigated.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—The annual meeting of the North Carolina National Guard Association, which was called to meet in Goldsboro January 12 and 13, has been postponed to January 26-27. This change is on account of there having been a call issued for the National Association of Adjutants General to meet in Washington January 15 and the officers of the North Carolina National Guard prefer to await the action of the adjutants general as to just what legislation is to be pressed upon the present Congress for the National Guard. By doing this the North Carolina Association can launch definite movements in cooperation with whatever the adjutants general decide upon.

Governor Craig made an order today for Dixie Wall, of Davie county, to be returned to the State's prison to serve the remaining two and a half years of a five years' sentence. He had been commuted to two and a half years on condition of good behavior and has stirred up another big trouble at Mocksville from which place he was sent up. Reports to the governor are that he attacked people against whom he held grudges and "shot up the town generally."

Call for Bank Statements.

The North Carolina Corporation Commission issued today a call for the State banks to make reports of condition at the close of business December 31, the same date for which the Federal government calls on national banks for reports. There are 320 State banks subject to this call and their last reports showed aggregates of $11,276,418 capital and $89,236,595 resources. The deposits aggregate about $65,000,000.

Sherwood Brockwell, the expert fire-fighter of the State Department of Insurance, has gone into Eastern Carolina for a week, especially for visitations to Elizabeth City, Edenton and Washington, where he will inspect the firefighting equipment and cooperate in any way possible with the fire companies and the town authorities in the interest of reduced fire waste.

Deputy Insurance Commissioner F. M. Jordan has gone to Bladen and Columbus counties to investigate fires reported to the department as meriting special investigation. Deputy Commissioner W. A. Scott is in Winston-Salem taking a hand as a witness in the trial of Cobler and Owen on the charge of burning a suburban store for the excessive insurance.

New Corporations Chartered.

A charter was issued today for the Southern Ice and Coal Company, of Greensboro, capital $100,000 authorized and $300 subscribed, one share each by A. Sherrod, C. C. Walton and W. A. Sherrod, for ice and fuel and building material business.

Another charter is for the Gattis Telephone Company, of Gatesville, capital $15,000 authorized and $1,500 subscribed by Nathan Riddick, Jr., and others.

There is an amendment for the charter of the Washington Buggy Company, providing for $75,000 of the outstanding common stock of the company to be converted into preferred stock bearing 8 per cent.

Plans are being worked out for adding the office quarters in the State House recently vacated by the Adjutant General to the Department of State, so that the late quarters of the Adjutant General will be the private office of the Secretary of State. This can be done by cutting arches in the stone walls between the main offices of the department and this section thereby providing a considerable wall space for filing cases as well as private office room for the Secretary of State.

State Journal Resumes.

The publication of the State Journal has been resumed here under the editorship and ownership of Col. Alex J. Field, who was one of the founders of the paper. The first issue of resumed publication appeared this week and is making quite a favorable impression. The management designs the paper for a unique field of State-wide newspaper service and it is attractively gotten up and up-to-the-minute in editorial and news service.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Representative Hewett Off to Raleigh. Shallotte Charter Fight.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Southport, N. C., Jan. 4.—Your correspondent in a conversation with Rev. Dempsey Hewett, who will represent Brunswick county in the General Assembly, found the gentleman, like most of those bound to the State's capital for the first time, very much concerned, not in the sense of individual importance, but rather with a desire to serve his constituents wisely and impartially. Naturally, he has been besieged in advance with matters for legislation and he realizes that his "job" is not an easy one. As to the new bills, Mr. Hewett believes the fewer introduced the better for the people and feeling that the benefit is in less, rather than in continued new legislation, he is not promising to go for every measure seeking introduction.

One measure that is taking his most serious consideration, is that of the town of Shallotte, one faction there asking that the charter be annulled, that there is more to be gained by a return to a condition of no local jurisdiction. It seems that there can be but little interest as to holding town offices, in this town of Shallotte, as there has been no election held in four years, hence the same officers continue to remain in, though the charter provides for annual elections. It is said that there is almost equal opposition to a repeal of the charter, and this being so Mr. Hewett may well regard his decision as one demanding great consideration.

It is the customary thing to regard a present condition as "unprecedented" particularly so as to weather, so your correspondent will not be quoted as to the weather of December, 1914, "as the worst ever," but just say there were 17 days of precipitation record in December, which is some continuous moisture, making the clear days few.

Though not by outward demonstration expressive of their appreciation, nevertheless the citizens of Southport have a sincere and high regard for Col. S. A. Jones, the perpetual worker for this port's expansion and development, who knows no let-up in his endeavors. As The Star puts it editorially, it is the time for the commercial bodies of Wilmington and Southport to get together and bring results to the Colonel's efforts. May the Colonel live to see and enjoy the results of his plans for this section.

An interesting sale was held here yesterday at the court house door, the case being Stone against F. P. White, the sale being the real and personal property of White, at Shallotte and vicinity. The land was sold first in parcels, there being several tracts, also the personal effects, separately, and brought $3,914 and then $4,000 was bid for both real and personal at the upset price noted, and was sold to J. W. Brooks, of Wilmington.

There has been quite a contest over this property, having gone before Referee E. S. Martin in February, 1913, with a mass of examination, and this testimony has been typewritten, and is carefully pasted upon green window-shades, which are suspended from nails hanging in the main hall of the court house for those who care to read the case.

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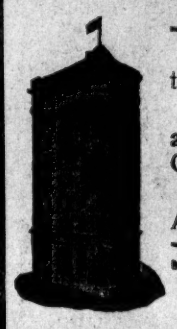

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